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John Lewis Childs'

illustrated Catalogue of
Floral Park, N.Y. BULBS, PLANTS & FRUITS.



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5 GRAND BULBS.

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Amorphophallus,	Calochortus,	Gladiolus,	Montbretia,	Tigridias,
Aplos,	Crocus,	Gloxinias,	Muscari,	Tropeolum,
Babianias,	Canna,	Hyacinths,	Narcissus,	Tritonia,
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- 1 Hyacinth, Monstrosa, see page 33.
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- 1 Tree Blackberry, see page 46.

- 1 Japan Wineberry, see page 41.

- 1 Mary Washington Rose, see page 47.

- 1 Lilium Harrisii, see page 34.

- 1 Lilium Candidum, see page 34.

- 1 Queen Cactus, see page 45.

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JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

We have on hand the following valuable articles which will all be published in the Mayflower (many of them with illustrations) during the year. These are however but a very small part of the articles which will appear during that time.

Calceolarias,
Soot Water as a Fertilizer,
Propagating Pinks,
Saxifraga,
Peonies, Herbaceous and tree,
A Propagating Box,
Auratum Lilies,
Violets,
Cosmos,
Pentstemons,
Antirrhinums,
Petunias,
Training Annuals,
How to arrange Pansies,
Artificial Hybridization,
Campanulas,
Lilies,
Abutilons,
Dwarf Chrysanthemums,
Hanging Baskets,

Grafting Cacti,
Ivy Geraniums,
Gladiolus,
Rockeries,
Tuberoses,
Heliotropes,
Caring for Mailing Plants,
Weigelas,
Floral Decorations,
Begonias,
Among My Flowers,
Some New Shrubs,
Crinum Ornatum,
New Roses,
Choice Primroses,
Godetias,
A Rustic Arbor,
Chinese Sacred Lily,
Amaryllis,
Growing Bulbs in Fancy Forms,

My Plant Room,
Daphne,
Pancratiums,
Night Blooming Cereus,
Novelties,
Floral Scrap Album,
Spider Lily,
A Bulb Box,
Geraniums and other Plants for Winter,
Verbenas,
My Winter Garden,
Coleus for the House,
Two Favorite Climbers,
Winter Bloomers,
Notes for October,
Autumn Notes,
Remedy for Oleanders not Blooming,
Cacti (10 articles),
And 60 other articles on interesting subjects.

POINTS FOR CUSTOMERS.

IN addition to our other large stores we have this Summer erected of brick, granite and iron, a mammoth fire proof building, which is the finest seed store in the country. We do this because last Spring our stores and offices, large as they were, proved too small for our business. While our establishment was run to its full capacity both day and night for three months, we could not work clerks enough to fill our orders as fast as they came in, which is the reason why some of our customers who ordered during April and May did not receive their goods as promptly as usual. This was intensely annoying to us, for if there is one thing we pride ourselves on more than others, next to our superior stock, it is promptness in the execution of orders. With the addition of this enormous building and another large set of greenhouses and packing rooms, we can reasonably expect to be able to handle orders with our usual promptness, even should they again double up in number.

Our Extra Select Bulbs.—Nearly every lover of flowers has now found that there is as much, or more, enjoyment in a Winter Window Garden as there is to be found in the Summer Garden, and that there is nothing so good for Winter and early Spring blooming as Bulbs. For Winter blooming it is important that the Bulbs should be extra strong and vigorous. While ordinary commercial Bulbs will bloom well, the grandest results are always attained from extra strong Bulbs, grown especially for Winter blooming. This is what our Bulbs are. They are contracted for in advance to be grown for this special purpose, and selected large sizes only. Of course they cost more, but it pays in the end, for it is on this extra select stock that we have built up the **LARGEST RETAIL TRADE IN CHOICE BULBS IN THE WORLD.**

When to Order.—We shall be prepared to fill orders about September 10th, and shall continue to fill through October and November, but earnestly advise our customers to plant during September or October, if possible, for it is the best time.

Free by Mail.—We send Seeds, Bulbs and Plants, **FREE BY MAIL**, at the prices named in this Catalogue. If a package is ordered to go by express, we do not pay the charges; but somewhat larger plants can be sent in this way, and we always add extra ones enough to more than pay the cost.

We Guarantee that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again.

We Pack all plants carefully in strong wooden boxes, which insures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest parts of the country.

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Premium or Discount.—The profit on Fall Bulbs is so very small, and the expense of mailing such large, heavy Bulbs as we send out is so great, that we cannot afford much discount, but being anxious to encourage their culture we will allow the purchaser to select ten cents' worth extra on each dollar sent.

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Stamps.—Please do not send postage stamps in payment for goods, if it can be avoided. We can accept them only in small amounts from people who have not facilities for getting a postal note, money order or draft. Letters often get damp in transit, causing stamps when enclosed to stick together and to the order, frequently resulting in the destruction of both. We lose over one thousand dollars every season on stamps sent us in letters, and we must deny discounts and extras to orders which are paid for in stamps.

Silver or Gold Coin when sent in letters should be sewed or pasted up in strong paper or cloth to prevent their breaking through the envelope, which is frequently the case when enclosed loose.

Be Sure to write your name and address plainly. Keep a correct copy of your order, that you may know when the package arrives if all is correct, as people often forget what they order and complain without cause.

Important.—It occasionally happens that an order is lost in coming to us, or the goods in going to the customer; therefore, if any who order do not hear from us within a reasonable length of time, they should send a duplicate order, naming the date on which the former one was sent, and the amount of money enclosed, and in what form. This will enable us to investigate the matter, and fill the duplicate order with dispatch. *No inquiries will receive attention unless they do not contain duplicate, etc., as above mentioned.*

Culture of Hardy Bulbs for Winter Blooming in Pots.

BULBS are the most important winter bloomers for window culture. They are the easiest cared for of all flowers, and absolutely sure to bloom abundantly. Geraniums or Roses may from some cause fail, but bulbs, never. Nothing is more pleasant or cheerful during a dreary winter than a few pots filled with Hyacinths, Tulips, Crocus, Narcissus, etc., displaying their brilliant colors and delightful fragrance for weeks. Add to these the many new Bulbs which are now being cultivated for winter flowers, and at a very little trouble or expense a display of winter flowers can be produced which will be the centre of attraction in any neighborhood. Freesias, Ixias, Triteleia, Calochortus, Alliums, Scillas, Chionodoxa, &c., are comparatively new and beautiful beyond description. Those grand, new bulbs, Freesias and Triteles, which keep in bloom several weeks in mid-winter, are worth their weight in gold; such gems should decorate every home during the dismal winter days.

The following is a list of the most desirable Bulbs for winter bloom, being of the easiest culture and sure to produce the most satisfactory results:

Hyacinths,	Crocus,	Lily of the Valley,
Scillas,	Iris Persica,	Iris Hispanica,
Lilium Harrisii,	Lilium Candidum,	Freesias,
Calochortus,	Chionodoxa,	Amaryllis Regina,
Calla Lily,	Brodiaea,	Tulips,
Narcissus,	Oxalis,	Snow Drops,
Allium,	Cyclamen,	Ixias,
Sparaxis,	Triteleia,	Bulbocodium,
Ornithogalum,	Babiana,	Tritonia,
Lachenalia,	Sacred Lily,	Fritillarias,
Muscari,	Anemones,	Tropaeolum,
Saxifraga,	Dicentra,	Erythronium.

Their culture is very simple. They can be potted during September, October or November, watered well and set away in a cellar or any cool, dark place to make roots, when after remaining four or six weeks, or as much longer as desired, they can be brought out for blooming. We earnestly advise potting the Bulbs as early as possible, especially if flowers are desired as early as New Year's, for the longer time they can have to make roots the better they will bloom. By bringing out a few pots at different times a succession of bloom can be kept up all winter. If they are kept in a cool place while in bloom, the flowers will keep perfect a long time. For the benefit of those who desire more explicit cultural directions, we give it here in detail:

SOIL.—The variety of soil is not a very important item in Bulb culture. Any good garden loam will answer, but if we had a variety to choose from, we would take a rich, sandy soil and mix with it a small quantity of leaf-mold. Do not use manure unless it is very old and well pulverized, and then only in small quantities, or it may cause the Bulbs to decay, or encourage too rank a growth of foliage.

FLOWERING BULBS IN WATER.—Some people flower Hyacinths and other Bulbs in glasses of water, and while they look pretty growing in this way, we cannot

recommend it, for, with the exception of the Chinese Sacred Lily, the flowers will be greatly inferior to those grown in soil, and their period of bloom will also be much shorter. Water does not contain nourishment enough to bring the flowers to full perfection. This, however, is not the case with the Chinese Sacred Lily, the Bulb being so large and strong they bloom as elegantly in pebbles and water as in soil.

TIME TO PLANT.—Bulbs can be planted from September to December, and some kinds even later, but the earlier the better will be the result, especially if desired for early blooming. Plant in September or October if possible.

PLANTING.—In planting, set the bulbs just below the surface of the soil, so that they will be entirely covered. Set the Bulbs down in the soil and cover them; do not press them in by force, for this packs the soil under them, and when the roots start they are apt to lift the Bulb.

AFTER PLANTING.—They should be well watered and set away in some cool, dark place, to make root. A cellar is best, for it is desirable that they should be kept moist and as cool as possible, hence a warm dry place is not a good one. Water them from time to time as the soil becomes dry. They should remain in this position at least four weeks, and as much longer as possible, it being desirable that they should have good roots before bringing them out to bloom. They should, however, be brought out when vigorous top growth sets in.

BLOOMING.—When brought from the cellar or store-room, the pots of bulbs should be placed in a light, sunny window. See that they are watered frequently, and have as much fresh air as possible. Keep them free from dust, and when in bloom they will last much longer kept in a cool atmosphere than in a hot one.

TREATMENT AFTER BLOOMING.—After the bulbs are through blooming, if one has the room and convenience, it is best to let them remain in the pots where they are for a few weeks to mature their bulbs. They can then be set away in the cellar and allowed to dry out, in which condition they can remain until planting time—the following September. They can then be taken out and planted in the open ground. By remaining there a season, they will recover much of the strength which they lost by being forced during winter, and are in most cases all right for winter blooming again. Many people who do not have a place in their windows for the plants after the flowers have faded, prefer to throw the bulbs away and buy a new supply every year. Of course, this is a good plan, if one cares to do it, and there is no doubt but that fresh imported bulbs will give much better bloom than those which have been grown and flowered here once or more, yet it is too bad to throw the bulbs away, and we would advise anyone who can to keep them and plant them in the garden. We have known people who have a light cellar to succeed very well by placing the bulbs there as soon as they have bloomed. The bulbs ripen up well, even in partial light, if the air is not too hot or freezing cold.

CULTURE IN THE GARDEN.

Bulbs are especially valuable for out-door planting, as they bloom at a time when the garden is utterly destitute and make it gay and attractive. Scillas, Snowdrops and Crocus appear as soon as the snow is away, and are quickly followed by Hyacinths, Narcissus, Tulips, etc. The display which a few of these bulbs make in the early spring is indeed charming, and they are always appreciated more than any other class of flowers, for they come when most needed.

The many forms and rich and varied colors of the Tulip make this bulb one of the most important of all garden flowers for a gay and dazzling display. For delicate fragrance and refined beauty and grace the Narcissus, with its great variety of form and charming colors, is always admired, and is one of the most pleasing of all bulbous plants. Of Hyacinths we need not speak, for they are well known; their large, round spikes of bloom in a garden or window lend a charm which no other plant can rival. No class of flowers are so easy to grow or surer to bloom than bulbs, and it is an established fact that they always surprise those who plant them by proving much better than one unacquainted with them can imagine.

For garden culture Bulbs do not require a very rich soil, and are easily cared for. Plant in October, which is the best month. Late in the fall the beds can be covered with leaves

or other coarse litter, which should be removed early in spring. After the bulbs are through flowering the leaves soon turn yellow and die, and are then ripe enough to be taken up and stowed away for planting again in the fall, leaving the beds to be filled with other plants for summer display, or, if desired, they can be left in the beds the whole year.

PREPARATION OF BEDS.—Spade up so that the beds will be a little higher than the surface, so that water will readily drain off. If the soil is poor, add a liberal quantity of well-rotted manure.

TIME TO PLANT.—September and October are the best months for planting bulbs in the garden. Set them from one to six inches apart, according to variety or size, and from one to three inches deep.

PROTECTION.—After planting, the beds should be covered with leaves, straw or any coarse litter (as a mulch or protection), which should be removed when the bulbs start in early spring. This is not necessary to save the bulbs, for most kinds are perfectly hardy in any situation without protection, but it is most advisable to do it, for it preserves the vitality of the bulbs to a great extent, and when in bloom you can notice that those which were protected will be twice as good as those which were not.

OUR JEWEL COLLECTION.

25 Beautiful Flowering Bulbs for only 50 Cents.

This is the greatest Bulb offer ever made, and it is expected that every lover of flowers who hears of it will buy one or more of these collections. We have had the bulbs grown by the hundred-thousand especially for this purpose; otherwise we could not make this unparalleled offer. The Bulbs will be of our selection, one to three each of ten or more kinds, all splendid sorts, especially adapted to winter blooming in pots; or they can be planted in the garden for early spring bloom.

SPECIAL LOW PRICES.

We desire to call attention to the following special offers. At these low prices no one need be without a few choice flowers. They are, of course, first-class bulbs in every respect, and sent by mail post-paid at prices named.

8 Hyacinths, 8 choice sorts, named (our selection).....	\$1 00
5 Lilies, 5 beautiful sorts, named (our selection).....	50
100 Crocus, choice mixed	75
25 Named Single Hyacinths, 25 sorts. See page 6.....	5 00
25 Named Double Hyacinths, 25 sorts. See page 6.....	5 00
12 Double and Single Hyacinths, Mixed. See page 6.....	1 00
12 Miniature Hyacinths, mixed. See page 7.....	75
20 Named Single Tulips, 20 sorts. See page 9.....	1 25
15 Named Double Tulips, 15 sorts. See page 9.....	1 00
7 Named D. V. Tholl Tulips, 7 sorts. See page 9.....	50
9 Named Parrot Tulips, 3 sorts. See page 9.....	30
12 Mixed Double Tulips. See page 10.....	40
12 Mixed Single Tulips. See page 10.....	40
100 Mixed Double and Single Tulips.....	2 25

12 Mixed Parrot Tulips. See page 10.....	35
12 Mixed Hybrid and Bizard Tulips. See page 10.....	45
6 Polyanthus Narcissus, 6 sorts. See page 13.....	1 00
5 Roman Hyacinths, 5 sorts. See page 6.....	40
3 Double D. V. Tholl Tulips. See page 9.....	15
12 Winter Blooming Oxalis. See page 17.....	20
20 Lilies, 20 sorts, named. See page 21.....	5 00
5 Named Sorts, Colochortus. See page 7.....	50
3 Winter Blooming Iris. See page 10.....	15
4 Named Brodiaeas. See page 10.....	20
10 Named Ixias. See page 16.....	50
5 Named Sparaxis. See page 15.....	35
3 Named Tritomas. See page 16.....	25
4 Named Babionas. See page 16.....	20
3 Named Lachenalia. See page 16.....	35
10 Hardy Flowering Shrubs, 10 fine sorts (our selection).....	1 00
10 Elegant Hardy Perennial Plants, one each of the following: Asclepias, Aster, Euphorbia, Eulalia, Platycodon, Achillea, Giant Per. Phlox, Iris Kämpferi, Yucca, and Childs' Hardy Hibiscus—a grand collection, see descriptions on pages 23, 24 and 25.....	1 00

A REVIEW OF THIS CATALOGUE.

By looking carefully through these pages you will be able to fully appreciate the great variety of rare Bulbs and Plants offered at moderate cost. Not only is the variety superb, but the **QUALITY** of the things offered is of the highest possible standard. The importance of having strong, healthy Bulbs to plant, especially for winter blooming, cannot be over estimated. We believe that the best is none too good for our customers, and they are bound to get it from us. Let us first call your attention to the

Mayflower, and its splendid premium found offered on first page. Don't overlook it. Subscribe yourself and get your friends to do the same. Read all of second page, "Points for customers" before ordering. At the top of this page will be found our

"**Jewel**" and other collections. Do not by any means overlook them. Here you will get more for your money than you possibly can in any other way. Next comes Cultural Directions, then our

General List of Bulbs.—Our stocks are all extra fine and selected. You cannot beat our Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus, Crocus, &c. You will find lots of rare Bulbs offered in this list. Do not omit the Freesias, Alliums, Ornithogallums, or the rare and beautiful Lilies on page 21.

Winter Blooming Plants are listed on pages 22 and 23. A few choice kinds at low prices.

Hardy Perennial Plants follow and a very choice variety is offered, and all at low prices. Every garden should have a good variety of these lovely hardy flowers. When once planted they are good for a lifetime. Notice in above collections that we offer 10 fine sorts for \$1.00.

Shrubs.—A choice list of 25 of the best flowering kinds are next offered. Fall is a good time to plant shrubs, and as they are so cheap every garden and lawn should have them in abundance.

Fruits.—Some new and fine sorts are offered on pages 28 to 32. We confine ourselves in this line to new and rare sorts of special merit, and such as we offer can be depended upon as being all that is claimed for them. The Grapes, Strawberries, &c., we offer are the very best sorts to be had. Next follows

Specialties and Novelties on colored paper, 16 pages. To this department every one will turn with greatest interest, to look for something new, rare and extra good, and we feel sure that they will not be disappointed. The list of new things we present this time greatly surpasses anything we ever before had to offer in the fall. Look it through carefully and note the many grand offers. Butterfly Orchid, Crinum Ornatum, New Black Calla, Pleroma, Bryophyllum, Otaheite Orange, Mary Washington Rose, Wineberry, Cactus, Saxifraga, Camassia, Winter-blooming Gladiolus, &c. We also call particular attention to the fine things offered on the cover pages of this catalogue. The **MAYFLOWER** and its magnificent premium every one will, of course, take, but if possible don't miss the Winter-blooming Morning Glories, Floral Firecracker, &c. Our new Book on Bulbs will prove very useful to all cultivators of winter flowers, and the Excelsior Fertilizer will help to make all plants grow and bloom. Send in your orders early and we will try to fill them in a way and with such Bulbs and Plants as will please you far beyond your greatest expectations. Don't forget the "Surprise" collection. It will be the greatest bargain you ever got in the way of rare flowers.

Five Reasons Why You Should Grow Bulbs for Winter Blooming in the House:

- 1st. Because they are sure to thrive and bloom abundantly, even when ordinary house plants fail.
- 2d. Because if your fire goes out on a cold night and they freeze, it will not hurt them. They will continue to flourish and bloom.
- 3d. Because they are the least trouble of any kind of plants, requiring but little care, and furnish the greatest amount of elegant bloom.
- 4th. Because there are scores of new winter blooming bulbs that you never heard of before, which will give you an endless variety of flowers that will be a surprise and delight to yourself and friends through all the dreary winter months.
- 5th. Because these bulbs are so very cheap, you can, for a small outlay have a great variety of new and beautiful sorts. The greatest help you can have in properly caring for your plants and flowers, either indoors or out, is the **MAYFLOWER** and our new book on bulbs, **POPULAR BULBS AND THEIR CULTURE**.

Address all orders, &c.,

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to great trouble and expense in flowering vast numbers of named kinds, both indoors and out, to ascertain which are really the best, and will say that the list of both double and single here offered, cannot

fail to give the greatest satisfaction in every respect. They are the cream of the many kinds we tested. For large spikes, large bells, durability and fragrance, they are excellent and sure to succeed well either indoors or out. In the garden bulbs should be planted three inches deep and at least six inches apart. For pot culture cover the bulbs so the top will just show. Try them in the house for winter blooming and they will delight you.

DOUBLE.

Each.

Anna Maria, large, double bells on tall spikes. Color delicate waxy pink, a few of the small inner petals being violet..... \$ 20

A La Mode, tall, loose spike. Flowers large, very double. Light porcelain blue striped with dark blue.. 25

Bouquettendre, tall stem and spike compact. Flowers medium, semi-double, rosy-crimson color..... 20

Baron Van Pallard, tall spike, flowers very double; fine pink inside, but nearly covered with green outside. Very pretty and curious..... 25

Bouquet Royal, fine large, double flowers, pure white tipped with green. While the spike is not as compact as some, the flowers are as double and perfect as a rose 25

Carl Von Zweeden, good spike and flower very double; blue tinged with red..... 15

Count Florence, long spike, though not very compact; good double flowers composed of two shades of blue, light and dark..... 20

Alda Catherine, large, drooping bells, very double; light rosy pink tipped with green; good spike..... 20



For winter and early spring flowering, nothing surpasses the **HYACINTH**. It is sure to bloom and give satisfaction in the house during winter, or in the garden in early spring; its large spikes of fragrant flowers resemble nothing else in cultivation, and must be seen to be appreciated. We have been

	Each.
Grootvorst , fair spike, very large and double bells; delicate blush white with a few small violet petals in center.	20
Grand Valnquer , tall spike, very large, waxy-white flowers.	35
Jenny Lind , fair spike, flowers very double; white, with a few of the small inside petals violet blue.	20
Jaune Supreme , probably the best double yellow variety, though poor when compared with other colors; very good dark yellow.	30
La Tour d'Auvergne , large spike, large bell of pure waxy whiteness; very early bloomer.	25
La Virginate , fair spike of large drooping bells, white delicately tinted with blush.	15
Lord Castlereagh , spike has but very few flowers, which, however, are very large, double and perfect; color white shaded with yellow and pink.	20
L'Esperance , spike rather small; flowers light pink inside, dark pink outside. Outer petals tipped with green.	15
La Grandeur , good size double flower, light yellow.	35
Milton , short, compact spike and large bells; flowers are fine dark crimson, shaded light red.	70
Monstrosa , largest size florets, two inches or more across; spike solid, flowers composed of wide outside petals, while the center is filled solidly with small twisted and quilled petals, making a flower as compactly double as a Dahlia. Color a fine shade of blue, while the outer row of large petals are tipped with green. A new variety of great beauty. See Novelties.	25
Noble Par Merite , fine large spike, very large and double flowers; soft light pink striped with deep pink through the center of each petal; very fine.	25
Prince of Saxe-Weimar , tall spike, loose with large, semi-double bells; darkest indigo-blue shaded lighter.	15
Prince of Orange , fine large, compact spike of beautiful rose-colored bells, some of which are single, others double.	25
Prince Albert , large, tall spike with very large and very double bells of the most beautiful shape. The buds before fully expanded are a mixture of dark blue and green, but when fully expanded they are a very dark indigo-blue; extra fine.	20
Regina Victoria , very large double bells; deep rosy blush.	20
Rudolphus , semi-double, light blue; fair spike.	20

One Bulb each of above 25 Grand Double Hyacinths for \$5.

SINGLE.

Amy , tall spike, medium size bell; deep bright red shaded yellow; very fine.....	15
Argus , good flower and spike; dark indigo-blue with white center.....	15
Castor , very tall and large spikes; bells large, light blue, banded and shaded with deep sky blue.....	20
Charles Dickens , tall, large spikes and large bells; light blue inside, darker outside; sometimes slightly tinged with red.....	15
Fleur D'Or , small spike, quite compact, fair size bell; light lemon yellow. One of the best single yellows.....	20
Gertrude , flowers composed of two shades of pink, light and dark. Spike large and as solid and compact as any spike of bloom can be.....	25
Gigantea , enormous spike, the best we have ever seen; compact, with very large bells; color delicate blush.....	25
Grand Marvel , very large, compact spike of the most beautiful, delicate creamy-blush flowers; one of the very best.....	20
King of the Blues , very large, compact spike, large bell; color deep handsome blue; extra fine.....	30
L'Unique , fine lilac purple, tall spike.....	20
La Grandesse , enormous compact spike and large bell of the purest waxy whiteness.....	50
L'Ami Du Coeur , compact spike, flowers small but very handsome; light rose color shaded darker.....	20
Mozart , fine large bells on tall spikes, pure white.....	25
Mimosa , good compact spike, flowers darkest indigo-blue; tall and fine.....	20
Grand Maltre , enormous compact spike; flowers of the largest size and of fine porcelain blue color; extra fine.....	30
Madam Vander Hoop , fine spike, flowers extra large and of the purest snowy whiteness.....	20
Norma , grand spike of gigantic bells, delicate blush shaded with pink; one of the most beautiful and an early bloomer.....	20
Orondates , beautiful large bell, sky-blue shaded lighter.....	20
Pure D'Or , small spike and bell; color light yellow; one of the best of its color.....	20
Queen of the Blues , light sky-blue; enormous compact spike of large bell; one of the very best.....	30
Roi Des Belges , enormous compact spike; dark brilliant crimson red; the finest variety of its color. It is, in fact, the best Hyacinth we ever saw.....	70
Robert Stelger , tall, compact truss, good shape and crimson-red flowers.....	15
Thunberg , compact spike, tall; indigo-blue.....	15

	Each
Tulla , beautiful compact spike; large bells; light blush white.....	20
Uncle Tom , large, compact spike, with flowers of the darkest blue-black color; very fine.....	20
<i>One Bulb each of the above 25 fine Single Hyacinths for \$5.00.</i>	

MIXED HYACINTHS.

Our mixed Hyacinths are superb, either for garden or pot culture, being all large and sound bulbs of the finest sorts, and will give magnificent bloom. A bed of these bulbs on the lawn in early spring is a lovely sight. Try them in a mass and note the effect.

	Per doz.
Double Mixed Colors , 200 varieties.....	\$ 1 20
Single “ “ “	1 20
Double and Single , all colors mixed, per 100, \$5.50 ...	1 00

ROMAN HYACINTHS.

We wish to call special attention to these beautiful Roman Hyacinths, which are so valuable for early winter blooming. They are among the few flowers which can be had as early as Christmas and New Years. Each bulb throws up several spikes of flowers, which are very beautiful and fragrant, and when kept in a cool room will keep perfect for weeks. Three can be planted in a 4 or 5 inch pot, and will soon be in flower. In the garden they are first of all Hyacinths to bloom. We have a few extra large and strong bulbs. The new double ones are exceedingly fine. Do not fail to plant a good lot of them for winter.



SINGLE ROMAN HYACINTH. DOUBLE ROMAN HYACINTH.

Single White, elegant waxy white bells of great beauty and fragrance. Large bulbs, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 90 cts.

Single Blue, lovely dark blue, a fine contrast to the white variety, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.

Double Light Pink, fine double flowers of a beautiful blush pink color, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.

Double Dark Pink, a grand new sort with enormous double bright deep bells in large spikes, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 90 cts.

Canary Yellow, new. (See Novelties.) 15 cts. each.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only 40 cts. we will send one bulb each of these 5 fine Roman Hyacinths; 3 of each for \$1.00.

FEATHERED
HYACINTH.



FEATHERED HYACINTH.

A curious species well worthy of culture as a pot plant, though not so beautiful as most others. The color is reddish blue and of a feathery texture, borne on the end of a long spike of green flower bells. Hardy, and can be grown either in the garden or forced. It will however be found that it is the most desirable for massing in the garden. 10 cts. each.



MINIATURE HYACINTHS.

These are most truly lovely. The bulbs are not quite so large as other Hyacinths, hence not so expensive, but the spikes of bloom are large and run very uniform and perfect. In pots or beds they can be planted quite close, and the effect is charming. The spikes of bloom are long and gracefully curved, and of the most beautiful colors and delicious fragrance. Nothing among Hyacinths can possibly be more satisfactory for general culture, and we strongly recommend them both for the garden and pots. Try them for winter blooming, and you will be delighted.



All colors, double and single mixed, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for 75 cts.; 100 for \$4.00.

THE GRAPE HYACINTH (IMPROVED).

This charming little gem should be found in every garden in abundance. It has been termed the "Blue Lily of the Valley," and when planted in a mass with that sweet flower, it does resemble it to some extent and forms a most fascinating combination. It grows about the same height and blooms about the same time each spring. It increases rapidly, and when once planted, a mass of beautiful blossoms which will increase in number each year is insured for a lifetime. But for winter blooming in pots it is of the greatest value. Plant 5 or 6 bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and you will have as lovely a pot of bloom as you can imagine. Words fail to do it justice. Flower stems grow a foot in height, bearing a dense spike of sky-blue bells tipped with white, and Oh, so lovely. Please remember that ours is an improved strain of Grape Hyacinth, much superior to the old form.



GRAPE HYACINTH.

Improved Blue, 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.; 100 for \$2.50. Snow White, new and scarce, 10 cts. each.

CALOCHORTUS,

OR BUTTERFLY LILIES.

These bulbs are little known or cultivated as they are not hardy enough to stand our winters in the open ground without protection, but for blooming in pots they are unsurpassed. The flowers are very large, borne on long stems and are of the most charming butterfly colors, white, yellow, buff, crimson, purple, spotted and shaded in a charming manner. For winter bloom they require only to be potted, (4 or 5 in a five inch pot) and treated like Hyacinths or Crocus. When in bloom they will be a marvel of beauty and last a long time. There are two classes, the "large flowered" and the "small flowered." The former all have large, upright blossoms, the latter smaller, bell-shaped and drooping. Both classes are entirely distinct, and both very beautiful.

LARGE FLOWERED.

Gunnersoni, a very rare sort of the largest size and great beauty in form and color. Pure white with crimson center. 25c. each.

Nuttallii, very large with 3 or 4 flowers on a stem, pure white with purple and green; extra. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Venustus, very large, white, yellow and crimson; beautifully marked and blended; grand. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Roseus, creamy, with rose blotches at top of petals, and a finely tinted and marked center; rich carmine outside. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Purpurea, rich, purplish lilac, with fine eye. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 50c. we will send one bulb each of above five sorts.

SMALL FLOWERED.

Albus, snow white, with a rich blotch, bearded and oiled, large and free. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Lillauna, pale pink, hairy. 8c. each; 3 for 20c.

Moweanus, white and purple, finely marked. 8c. each; 3 for 25c.

One bulb each of above 3 sorts 20 cents.

BULBICODIUM VERNUM.

A very early spring flowering Bulb, producing several flowers of a fine violet-purple color. It is perfectly hardy and very pretty; also desirable for winter blooming. 6c. each; 3 for 15 c.; 12 for \$1.50.

RANUNCULUS.

Another class of spring flowering bulbs producing large, double, perfect shaped flowers of very gay colors. The range of colors is white, crimson, yellow, orange, spotted, variegated, etc. Double, mixed, best sorts; 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 35c. per dozen.



RANUNCULUS.



THE TULIP is the most popular of all Holland Bulbs, and for an early and brilliant display they have no equal. The Tulip of 25 years ago is very unlike the imported sorts of today. In fact one who has not seen a bed of genuine imported Bulbs of the past few years can form no idea of their dazzling magnificence. We offer Bulbs so cheap that no garden should be without a good variety, and there is nothing harder or surer to bloom in all soils or climates. We have imported none but strictly first-class Bulbs in all respects, and the kinds we offer have been proved on our grounds to be most excellent. To encourage our customers to plant them largely we have made the prices extremely low, for we know they will give unbounded satisfaction, and we hope all will have a good variety. For blooming in the house during winter, Tulips are exceedingly fine, the Duc Van Thol varieties being probably the best, as they are the earliest, 3 to 5 bulbs can be planted in a 4 or 5 inch pot, and will make a brilliant show. For open ground culture plant bulbs in September or October, two or three inches deep and four inches apart each

way. When once planted they will increase in number and beauty each year, and prove a lasting joy and pleasure.

The new winter blooming Italian varieties which we offer now among Novelties, are grand. Do not fail to try them.

SINGLE EARLY TULIPS.

These are exceedingly brilliant, and bloom very early. The different colors planted side by side will produce a grand effect. Take for instance such sorts as Color de Cardinal, Miltiades, Silver Standard, and Yellow Prince, and group them together, and the effect will be truly dazzling.

	Each.	3 for	Per Doz
Adeline, large violet red. Extra fine...	\$ 15	\$ 40	\$1 50
Alida Maria, fine rose, striped white....	10	25	75
Chrysolora, extra large and fine; clear bright yellow.....	10	25	75
Color de Cardinal, most intense cardinal; very showy, and keeps in bloom a long time; grand.....	5	15	50
Duc d'Orange, red and yellow; large and fine.....	5	12	45
Globe de Rigaud, violet purple, flaked with white; very striking.....	5	15	50
Golden Standard, yellow striped.....	10	25	75
Lac Van Ryn, purple with distinct large white border.....	5	12	45
Miltiades, fine clear white, tinted pink; lovely sort, beautiful shape and color	5	15	50
Paragon Coldebloem, white and yellow	6	15	50
Roi Pepin, the King of Tulips; flower of enormous size, dark blood red, freely striped and blotched with pure white	20	50	1 75
Rosa Mundi, fine rose color.	5	12	45

	Each.	3 for	Per Doz
	\$ 6	\$ 15	\$ 50
Rose Crisdelin, large rose.....	6	15	50
Silver Standard, red and white striped; a magnificent sort.....	6	15	50
Thomas Moore, very large and tall; fine orange.....	6	15	50
Van Coogen, fine rose, tall, and keeps a long time.....	6	15	50
Verboom, enormous size and perfect shape; clear dazzling scarlet.....	8	20	65
Waterloo, fine dark red.....	6	15	50
Wouwerman, purplish red, large.....	6	15	50
Yellow Prince, bright yellow, large and very showy.....	6	15	50
One Bulb each of above 20 sorts \$1.25; 3 of each for \$3.50.			
Splendid Mixed Varieties, of all colors, per dozen, 40 cts.; per 100, \$2.25.			

DOUBLE TULIPS.

These produce very large double flowers, many of which are as large and showy as a Peony. They are becoming more and more popular each year, which they justly merit. A very pretty show can be made by planting several colors, such as yellow, white, rose and crimson, in the same bed. The bright colors of the large double blossoms contrast splendidly and make a charming display.

	Each	3 for	Per 12
	\$0 10	\$0 25	\$ 0 90
Blue Flag, bluish purple.....	6	15	75
Castor, violet.....	7	20	75
Couronne d'Or, golden.....	6	15	50
Duke of York, brown and white.....	5	15	50
Gloria Solus, scarlet, edged yellow, fine.....	5	12	45
La Candeur, pure white, very large.....	5	12	45
Le Blason, rose.....	7	20	75
Leonardo da Vinci, red and yellow.....	10	25	90
Purple Crown, very dark; the nearest black.....	6	15	50
Queen Victoria, beautiful cherry color.....	20	50	1 50
Raphael, rosy; extra.....	5	12	45
Rex Rubrorum, deep scarlet; splendid.....	10	25	90
Rose Blanche, flower of enormous size, pure white and very double; new.....	5	12	50
Rosine, fine rose.....	5	12	45
Yellow Rose, large, brilliant yellow.....			
Fine mixtures of double varieties, per doz., 40c.; per 100, \$2.50.			

One bulb each of above 15 magnificent double Tulips, \$1.00; 3 each for \$3.50.

PARROT TULIPS.



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These are in many respects the finest of all Tulips. Their flowers are larger than the other kinds and the colors striking and beautiful. Some will be clear yellow, others deep crimson, and others striped with crimson, yellow and green, from which they derive their name. A bed of Parrot Tulips in full bloom is a sight never to be forgotten, and one that will well repay any one to go along way to see.

Constantinople, fine deep crimson. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; dozen, 40c.

Gloriosa, striped yellow, crimson and green. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; dozen, 40 cents.

Perfecta, clear yellow. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; dozen, 40 cents.

Fine mixture of above sorts, dozen, 35c.; per 100, \$2.00.

3 bulbs each of above 3 sorts, 30 cents.

DUC VAN THOL TULIPS.

These are the earliest to bloom of all Tulips, and are greatly prized for pot culture during winter. In the garden they bloom with the Crocus, and are welcome heralds of spring. Do not omit this charming class.

	Each	3 for	Per 12
	\$0 10	\$0 25	\$ 0 90
Yellow, clear and brilliant.....	8	20	75
Rose, beautiful soft color.....	5	15	50
Scarlet, very dazzling.....	8	20	75
Cold Striped, scarlet, striped gold.....	12	30	1 00
White, very fine.....	5	12	40
Crimson.....	15	30	1 10
Violet, the earliest of all; new and rare.....			

One bulb each of above 7 sorts, 50 cts.; 3 each for \$1.25; 12 each for \$4.50.

NEW DOUBLE DUC VAN THOL TULIPS.



DOUBLE DUC VAN THOL TULIPS.

These fine Tulips are greatly superior to all other double sorts for winter blooming, being so early and easily grown. A pot of these Tulips is indeed a brilliant sight. In the garden they bloom very early with the single Duc Van Thol sorts.

Red and Yellow, variegated, showy. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.

Violet Crimson, new and fine. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Variegated Foliage, elegant variegated leaves, and large double blossoms, scarlet banded with yellow. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 15 cents we will send one bulb each of these three fine double Tulips; three of each for 40c.

BIZARD AND BYBLOOM TULIPS.



BYBLOOM TULIP.

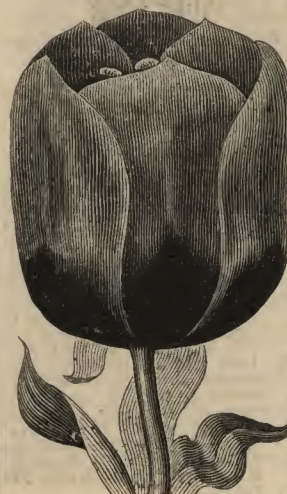
The Byblooms and Bizards are a class of Tulips which always give great satisfaction. They are so little known or cultivated that they are quite a novelty. Their large flowers, borne on tall stems, are always marked and variegated in a very beautiful and fantastic manner. The Byblooms all have white or light rose grounds marked with scarlet, pink, crimson, violet and numerous shades of the richest purple. Bizards all have yellow grounds and are variegated with maroon, black and shades of light and dark brown. They bloom with the Parrots, which is a little later than the Single Early. All who are unacquainted with these Tulips will be greatly surprised and delighted at their wonderful beauty. Of both classes we offer a mixture of 50 to 100 different colors. Try them, you will be greatly delighted.

BYBLOOMS, white grounds variegated with various colors. Fifty finest sorts, mixed. Each 6 cts.; three for 15 cts.; twelve for 50 cts.

BIZARDS, yellow grounds, variegated. Fifty finest sorts mixed. Each 5 cts.; three for 12 cts.; twelve for 45 cts.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only 75 cts. we will send 12 bulbs each of Bybloom and Bizards.

TULIPA GESNERIANA.



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This grand Tulip should be in every garden. It grows to the height of two or three feet, supporting its flowers, which are of enormous size, on strong, graceful stems. Its color is of the most glossy and dazzling crimson scarlet we have ever seen, which is beautifully set off by a deep blue center. Its flowers are the most durable of all Tulips, as it holds its beautiful color and keeps perfect several weeks. It is to be regretted that most of the bulbs of this grand Tulip, which have been sent into this country for years past, have been untrue to name and greatly inferior to the true variety. We have always supplied the true sort, as we have been careful to have our importations warranted. Those who order this Tulip from us can depend on getting it true, and will be surprised at its magnificence.

Price, 7 cts. each; 3 for 18 cts.; 12 for 60 cts.

MIXED TULIPS.

All extra fine large bulbs, which will bloom splendidly and make a grand display. The variety of colors in these mixtures is very large.

Per 12 Per 100

Single Early, all colors mixed, of more than 100 sorts.....	\$ 0 40	\$ 2 25
Double, all colors mixed, more than 100 sorts.....	40	2 50
Parrot, all colors, mixed.....	35	2 00
Byblooms and Bizards, 200 colors or sorts, mixed.....	45	2 75
Duc Van Thol, all colors.....	60	3 50



TULIPA PERSICA.

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This is unlike any other sort, as its flower stem branches and bears three to five flowers on a stem, as seen in the cut. They are bright yellow in color, and exceedingly pretty. They bloom elegantly in the open ground, but are the largest and finest when grown for winter blooming. 15 cts. each.

WINTER BLOOMING IRIS.

These three sorts are very fine indeed for winter blooming, and as such we can strongly recommend them. Four or five bulbs can be planted in a five inch pot and when in bloom they will make a beautiful object.

Persica, flowers composed of several beautiful and showy colors. It is dwarf and a very early bloomer, showing splendidly in pots; 10 cents each.

Anglica, Mixed Colors, these grow a foot high and produce very large and showy blossoms which are of various colors; 5 cents each; 50 cents per dozen.

Hispanica, Mixed Colors, early bloomers with narrow petals and charming colors; 5 cents each; 50 cents per dozen.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 15 cents we will send one each of these three Iris; 3 of each for 40 cents.



CROCUS.

MAMMOTH YELLOW.



CROCUS, MAMMOTH YELLOW.

This is a Crocus producing a bulb nearly as large as a Hyacinth, and which bears from ten to twenty-five beautiful bright golden yellow blossoms. It is the most beautiful and valuable of all Crocus, its marvelous profusion of bloom making it extremely desirable, both for pot and open ground culture. When in bloom last winter, this Crocus was admired quite as much as some rare bulbs which cost ten times its price. It however produces the best results in the open ground, 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 30 cts.; 100 for \$2.15.



SCILLAS.

Ciusi, a grand winter bloomer, producing an enormous cluster of star shaped blue flowers, often three feet in circumference. It is one of the most striking flowers we ever saw. Bulbs very large and strong and sure to bloom. It is also perfectly hardy and desirable for garden culture. Don't fail to add this to your list of winter bloomers. 20 cents each.

Monophylla, a beautiful little gem with clusters of delicate light blue flowers. It blooms in December when potted in October, and makes a lovely pot of flowers. In the garden it is one of the earliest of all flowers to bloom, but its greatest value is for winter blooming. Plant a good lot of them, they are so very cheap. 5 cts. each; 50 cts per dozen.

Campanulata Blue, large Hyacinth-like spikes of blue flowers. Elegant for winter blooming. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.

Campanulata White, like the above except white in color. 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.

Siberica, produces a spray of lovely blue flowers, which is exceedingly graceful and pretty. It blooms before the Crocus and attracts the attention of all. Lovely for winter blooming in the house or for early spring in the garden. 3 cts. each; 25 cts. per dozen.

BRODIAEA.



A class of small bulbous plants throwing up grass-like foliage and flower spikes on which is borne beautiful umbels of flowers. In the open ground they are hardy with slight protection, but the greatest value is for winter blooming in pots. They are so little known or cultivated that they are exceedingly interesting as pot plants. Their flowers are odd and beautiful and produced freely during winter.

Each.

Congesta , fine blue with a pale blue crown.....	5
Lactea , fine white.....	5
Multiflora , purple blue, in dense umbels.....	7

Stellaris, rich purple with a white center, in a fine star-like cluster; dwarf habit; extra fine..... 10

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 20 cents we will send one bulb each of the four sorts.

TULIPA GREIGI.

This is probably the most magnificent of all Tulips. Its large green leaves are variegated with black spots, while the flower, which is of the largest size, is clear transparent scarlet, as clear and beautiful as a sheet of wax. No other Tulip has a color like it. 50 cts. each.



The Crocus is one of the first flowers of spring, and one of the best for blooming in the house during winter. Half a dozen bulbs may be planted in a pot, and will make a very pretty show. For garden culture plant bulbs two inches deep and two or three inches apart. They are so cheap and pretty they ought to be found in every garden in great abundance. They bloom splendidly when planted on the lawn among the grass. They lift their bright heads up through the sod very early, and give the lawn a charming aspect. The sorts we offer are especially strong and fine.

Per doz. Per 100

Albion , very fine, striped.....	\$ 15	\$1 15
Cloth of Gold , yellow.....	15	1 15
Grand Vedette , blue.....	15	1 15
Montblanc , pure white.....	15	1 15
Othello , fine blue.....	15	1 15
Van Speyk , striped.....	15	1 15
Virgin Queen , white.....	15	1 15
Yellow Giant , very large, yellow.....	15	1 15
Extra Fine Mixture of all colors, select bulbs		
.....(per 1000, \$5 00).....	10	75

NEW FRENCH CROCUS.

These three new Crocus are very fine indeed and distinct from all others, and being so early to bloom they are particularly valuable. They are always the first flower to bloom in the window garden. If planted in October they will bloom the same or the following month. They always bloom in one to three weeks after planting. Do not omit them.

Longiflora, lavender purple, striped black, very fine and blooms as early as October. 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.

Suaveolens, long slender tube, well open flower, fine lavender with red stamens. Blooms immediately after planting. 3c. each; 3 for 7c.; 12 for 25c.

Pallasi, deep clear yellow, blooms in December. Very fine indeed. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 35c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 10 cents we will send one each of these three fine Crocus. 3 each for 25c.; 12 each for 80c.



CROCUS IMPERATI.

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This new species is very beautiful, and when potted in October will bloom in December, making a pretty show for the holidays. The outside of the petals are buff yellow, feathered; inside lovely purple blue, very large and fine, with long necks and beautiful shape. It is also fragrant, and the leaves are ribbed with white. Splendid for either the house or garden, it being so very early. 3c. each; 2 for 5c.; 12 for 25c.; 100 for \$1.80.



This class of Bulbs is indispensable for winter and early spring flowering. In England they are the most popular of all hardy plants, except Lilies. They are varied and beautiful in form and color, and their delicious fragrance is unexcelled. Their season of bloom continues about two months from the earliest to the latest varieties. Many varieties are so cheap they should be planted extensively for cut flowers, Poeticus being particularly good for this purpose. Narcissus, when once planted, will increase from year to year, always hardy and profuse bloomers. For blooming in the house during winter all varieties are well adapted; but the Polyanthus are especially recommended for this purpose. Jonquils are also fine for winter blooming, and bloom later than any other sorts. Try a few Narcissus in the house this winter, and our word for it, they will afford you much pleasure.

Aurantius, (Double), very early bloomer. Flowers large and double on tall stems; large petals sulphur yellow, mixed with smaller ones of a bright orange color. Either for the house or garden this is one of the very finest sorts. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

	Each.	3 for	Per 12
Albo Plena Odorato , (Double), fine pure white.....	5	15	50
Biflorus , (Single), an elegant Narcissus, little known or cultivated in this country. Its flowers, which are white with yellow cup, are borne in pairs, and are exceedingly graceful and pretty. It is so cheap every one should possess it. Valuable both for winter blooming and for the garden.....	5	12	40
Incomparable , (Double), large flower, light canary and dark orange.....	5	15	50
Orange Phoenix , (Double), very double, large petals nearly pure white intermixed with small orange ones. Very fine indeed.....	8	20	75
Sulphur Phoenix , (Double), large, sulphur white.....	25	60	
Van Sion , (Double), deep golden yellow; large and fine.....	6	15	50
Trumpet Major , (Single), beautiful large trumpet flower; fine yellow.....	10	25	90
Poeticus , (Single), pure white, crimson cup; a lovely sort; per 100, \$3 00.....	5	12	45
Poeticus fl. pl. , (Double), fine double form of the charming Poeticus.....	8	20	70
Poeticus Præcox , (Single), a new form with enormous sized flowers and blooms much earlier than the old Poeticus.....	10	25	90

POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS.

These produce large clusters of beautiful orange blossom like flowers of unexcelled fragrance. For winter blooming they are always sure to succeed under any treatment, and their great beauty can be fully appreciated by those who have grown them. They are much like the lovely Chinese Sacred Lily.

	Each.	3 for	
Aurora , pure white with deep orange cup. Good size flower and cluster.....	15	40	
Staten General , large flowers in large, compact clusters; fine white with orange cup. Extra.....	10	25	
Grootvorst , pure white flower with delicate lemon cup. Fine.....	20	50	
Lutea Major , fine canary yellow with orange cup. Beautiful compact clusters.....	15	35	
Grand Solle d'Or , fine yellow, very sweet.....	10	25	
Bazelman Major , the grandest of all, having flowers nearly as large as a Poeticus, and borne in large clusters. Pure white with yellow cup; very fragrant. It is impossible to get a more lovely winter flower than this.....	50	1 25	
One Bulb each of above 6 fine sorts, \$1.00.			
Mixed Sorts , per dozen, \$1.00.....	8	20	



NARCISSUS CORBULATA.

NARCISSUS, CORBULATA.

Corbulata, a rarely beautiful flower, both for winter blooming in the house or for the garden. 3 to 6 bulbs can be planted in an ordinary pot and will produce a charming lot of flowers during February and March. Each bulb bears 3 or 4 flowers at a time. As will be seen by the cut

the blossoms are very beautiful in both form and habit; color, a fine shade of bright brilliant yellow, and fragrant. In the garden they are hardy and bloom early in spring. It has been called the Golden Fairy Lily, and well does it merit the name. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

Corbulata Citrina, exactly like the above, except light sulphur yellow in color, and three weeks earlier to bloom. New and very rare. 12c. each; 3 for 30c.

Corbulata Monophylla, a perfect little gem, being like the above except smaller and pure white in color; new; 12c. each; 3 for 30c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 20 cents we will send one bulb each of above three sorts; 3 of each for 50c. They are gems of rare beauty.

TWO GRAND NARCISSUS.

We desire to call special attention to these two elegant Narcissus, which are so valuable and beautiful, especially on account of their extreme earliness for forcing

Double Roman.—The new double Polyanthus or Roman Narcissus, is a great beauty, and particularly well adapted to winter blooming. It is like other Polyanthus in all respects, except the flowers are double as roses. Color white with yellow center, and its fragrance is delicious. Very early and sure to bloom well; 7c. each; 3 for 20c.



PAPER WHITE AND DOUBLE ROMAN NARCISSUS.

Paper White Grandiflora, a new form of the old Paper white, twice as large in bloom, and much earlier and better in every respect. The large blossoms are pure white, borne in clusters and very fragrant, and can be had in bloom in December. For winter blooming it is one of the most valuable; 7c. each; 3 for 20c.



JONQUILS.

JONQUILS.

These are charming members of the Narcissus family, producing clusters of golden yellow blossoms of unsurpassed fragrance. Either for the house or garden they are indispensable.

Single, 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Double, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

Odorous, a grand sort with flowers twice as large as the others, and of the most exquisite Mayflower or Arbutus fragrance. For pot culture this is a grand thing. 8c. each; 3 for 20c.

CYCLAMEN.

This is known as one of the most valuable of all bulbous plants for house culture, being a free and constant bloomer during winter. The flowers are of very delicate colors, varying from deep blood red through all the shades of pink, rose, blush, etc., to pure white, the flowers remain perfect a long time and a plant always shows number, often 30 to 50 open at once.

Persicum, mixed colors; per dozen, \$2.00..... 20c

Giganteum, a new form with gigantic flowers..... 40c

FREESIAS.

A new class of Bulbs splendidly adapted for winter blooming, and are, I believe, to-day, the most popular winter blooming Bulbs. They are always sure to succeed and bloom elegantly for any one in any situation, and the great beauty and fragrance of the flowers are everywhere admired, almost as no other winter bloomer is. The blossoms or buds when cut and placed in vases of water, will keep perfect two weeks. In pots they commence blooming early and continue for a long time, the stems branching freely and producing several clusters of bloom in succession. Four to six bulbs can be planted in a five inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be put away to form roots like Hyacinths, unless it is more convenient to do so. Planting successively from September to November will give a succession of bloom through the winter. We cannot too earnestly urge customers to plant this charming winter flower.

Leichtlini Major, large creamy yellow. 6 cents each; 3 for 15 cts.; per dozen, 50 cts.

Refracta Alba, pure white; very beautiful. 6 cts. each; 3 for 15 cts.; per dozen, 50 cts.

Hybrid Seedlings, a new and large flowering strain of varied colors from white to yellow, robust growers and extra free bloomers. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; per dozen, 75 cents.



FREESIAS.



ORNITHOGALUM ARABICUM.

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We introduce this as a new winter blooming bulb of great beauty and value. In magnificence there is nothing like it among winter blooming bulbs or plants. Even the grand Hyacinth must be preceded by the stately beauty of this flower. It is a native of Arabia. Bulb large and solid, closely resembling that of a Hyacinth, and requiring exactly the same culture; leaves long and narrow; flower spikes 18 to 24 inches high, strong and graceful, bearing an immense cluster of large, pearly white flowers, having a jet-black center. The illustration gives a good idea of its great beauty. The individual flowers keep perfect many weeks before fading, so that for more than a month this grand spike of bloom is in full glory. Its durability is almost without equal among flowers. Add to this its delicate aromatic fragrance and we have a winter bloomer which all must admit stands without a rival. Its culture is the easiest, as it will grow in any position in any window. A bulb can be planted in a four inch pot, or several in a larger pot or box. Pot in September, October or November. They can even be kept and planted as late as February first. For open ground culture they do well if protected from freezing severely. 10c. each; 3 for 25c; 12 for 90c.

ORNITHOGALUM NUTANS.

A fine dwarf variety, one foot high, with spikes of silver colored star shaped blossoms. Early bloomer and very pretty. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

ORNITHOGALUM LACTEUM.

A splendid sort, which we have secured in Italy. It is entirely different from Ornithogalum Arabicum offered above, but like that sort is most valuable for winter blooming. The flowers are pure milk white, 30 to 80 borne in a dense raceme, supported by a long graceful stem. It is also very fragrant. 50c. each.

SPARAXIS.

Sparaxis are much like Ixias, except they bear their flower more drooping than in erect spikes. The blossoms are very large and open flat, presenting some of the most curious and beautiful combination of colors to be found. Their exceeding beauty at once captivates all beholders. They require exactly the same treatment as Ixias. Try at least one pot of them this winter.

	Each.
Alba, pure white.....	5
Grandiflora, intense crimson, flaked, yellow center..	5
Nain, deep yellow.....	5
Purpurea Striata, reddish purple, striped.....	10
Tricolor, red, white and yellow.....	5

Mixed, 30 finest varieties; 25c. per dozen; 3 for 10c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 20 cents we will send one bulb each of above five fine sorts; 3 of each for 50 cents.



IXIAS AND SPARAXIS.

IXIAS.

The *Ixia* produce their beautiful flowers in spikes, and are of the most dazzling and brilliant colors and sure to attract great attention. It is only a few years that they have been grown in this country to any extent, but in that time like the *Freesias* they have become very popular. For pot culture in the house they give great satisfaction, being of easy culture and free bloomers. Half a dozen bulbs can be planted in a five inch pot and the display will be magnificent. For open ground culture give them winter protection with leaves or straw. They are very cheap and all lovers of odd and beautiful flowers should certainly add them to their collection. The named sorts we offer are new and very fine.

Crateroides , bright scarlet, early and fine. 3 for 10c.	Each. 5
Duchess , pure white with black eye and striped rose. Very beautiful form. 3 for 12c.	6
Calatea , snow white with large deep blue eye; extra.	7
Lady Slade , brilliant pink, extra. 3 for 12c.	6
Pallas , fine pale yellow, outside crimson, purple eye.	6
Titus , yellow, striped majenta, black center, and large spike. 3 for 15c.	7
Bucephalus Major , rich crimson, branching.	6
Magnifica , bright rich yellow, tinted red.	8
Wonder , dark, pink, sweet scented, FINE DOUBLE FLOWER.	10
Vulcan , crimson, shaded orange.	10
Mixed , 50 finest sorts; 25c. per dozen.	3

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only 50 cents we will send one bulb each of the above 10 grand named sorts.

BABIANAS.

These are allied to the *Ixias* and receive the same treatment in every respect. For winter blooming they are perfectly magnificent. The flowers are star shaped, large, opening nearly flat, and form in spikes like *Gladiolas*. The colors are very bright and telling, blue white, lavender, yellow, etc. Profuse bloomers, and should be generally grown.

Attraction , dark blue.	Each. 6
Justine , rich crimson.	6
Palilda , pale lavender.	6
Rosea Grandis , bright rose.	6

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 20 cents we will send one bulb each of these 4 sorts.

Mixed Sorts, 25 finest sorts mixed, 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.



LACHENALIA.

This is an entirely new bulb and much unlike anything else in cultivation. They are grown mainly for winter blooming in pots, for which purpose they are admirable. Their great oddity, novelty and beauty makes them a most desirable plant for winter blooming. They require exactly the same treatment as *Hyacinths*. The flowers are borne in beautiful spikes, and they remain in bloom for about two months, which is a most desirable feature in any plant. The colors are a curious and odd blending of yellow, scarlet and shades of olive green, green shading to yellow, etc. The only difference in the varieties is that in one yellow will predominate, scarlet in another and green in another. The stems and leaves are also very beautiful, being spotted with black and reddish brown. Try them; they are sure to succeed and please you.

Luteola	Each. 15
Pendula	15
Tricolor	15

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 35 cents we will send one bulb of each of the three sorts.



ARUM CRINITUM.



ARUM DRACUNCULUS.

ARUMS.

The two varieties of *Arum* here offered are both generally sold as "Black Callas." The only true *Black Calla* we offer among novelties, but wish to say that these two sorts possess great merits as flowering bulbs, either for pot or garden culture, and should be generally cultivated.

Crinitum, this plant is much like the *Calla Lily*, except its leaves are beautifully divided, and its flowers which are of enormous size—a foot in length and nearly as broad—are of a deep black color. It is sure to bloom in mid-winter, and will create quite a sensation. It is a flower of striking oddity and beauty; 30c. each.

Dracunculus, stem tall and spotted like an adder. Leaves large and handsome. Flower exactly like a *Calla*, a foot in length and of a reddish black color. Curious and beautiful; 30c. each.



TRITELEIA UNIFLORA.

This is one of the choicest additions to winter flowering bulbs that has been offered in many years. The bulbs are small and several can be planted in a pot, each one of which will send up several flower scapes, bearing star-shaped blossoms one inch in diameter, pure white, elegantly lined with celestial blue. As the flowers follow each other successively and last a long time before fading, a pot of these Bulbs is never without flowers for several months in mid-winter. They are also quite hardy and can be planted in the open ground where they will bloom elegantly in the early spring. We earnestly advise all lovers of flowers to plant this beautiful gem. It is sure to delight you. It is of the easiest culture and always sure to thrive. Fine Bulbs, 5 cents each; 3 for 10 cents; 12 for 30 cents.

Triteleia Vioacea, exactly like *T. Uniflora*, except in color, which is a beautiful violet blue; new and fine. 8 cents each; 3 for 20 cents; 12 for 70 cents.

TRITONIAS.

Another new class of Cape Bulbs similar to *Lilias* and requiring the same treatment. The flowers are like miniature *Gladiolas*, drooping, with very soft and pleasing colors. They are specially adapted to pot culture.

Each

Longiflora Alba, white, long tube-shaped flower; extra..... 10
Lutea, pale yellow..... 10
Rosea, deep rose..... 10

Mixed bulbs of 10 best sorts, 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 25 cents we will send one bulb each of these three fine sorts; three of each for 60 cents.

ANEMONES.

Very beautiful and brilliant spring flowering Bulbs, which should be found in all gardens. They possess a beautiful range of very fine colors, such as brilliant scarlet, red, blue, rose, striped, carnation, etc. For pot culture they are very fine indeed and succeed best if left in the same pot year after year without removing or disturbing.

Single, all colors mixed..... Each 3 for 12
 Double, " "..... \$.05 \$ 10 \$ 30
 Double, " "..... .06 15 50



DOUBLE ANEMONE.

OXALIS.

These varieties of *Oxalis* are all for winter blooming. They make the most beautiful hanging pots and baskets, producing a mass of flowers all winter, which in brilliant and beautiful colors are truly charming. Winter blooming *Oxalis* are always sure to please. Plant five or six bulbs in a six-inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting, and need not be set away to form roots like most other bulbs. They bloom during the entire winter, a thing we can



OXALIS.

expect of but very few plants or bulbs, and are for that reason doubly worthy of a place in every collection of winter blooming bulbs. We feel that we cannot say enough in their praise to do them justice. Try them and you will be delighted.

Each. 3 for Per doz.

Multiflora Alba, pure white, free bloomer..... 5 10 35
Bowl, deep pink, large, robust and fine..... 5 12 40
Lutea Major, bright yellow, large flowers in large clusters; magnificent... 10 20 60
Hirta, deep red, fine..... 5 10 35
Versicolor, rose and white, lovely color, very beautiful..... 5 12 40
Double Yellow, new. See Novelties... 10 25 90
Mixed Sorts of 25 finest varieties, including the above..... 5 20

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only 25 cents we will send one bulb each of above 6 sorts, including Double Yellow.



ALLIUM NEAPOLITANUM.

ALLIUMS.

These are among the most useful of all winter blooming bulbs, and being very cheap they should be extensively cultivated.

Palleescens, a remarkably beautiful species but a late bloomer. It blooms in large clusters, which are composed of hundreds of small drooping flowers on long, slender stems, making a most beautiful effect. Color nearly white, striped with brown. A highly interesting sort for pot culture and sure to succeed; 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Pendulinum, pure white in umbels, drooping. In other respects much like Neapolitanum; 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.



ALLIUM PENDULINUM.

Neapolitanum, a grand bulb for winter blooming. Its flower stems are twenty inches high, supporting a large cluster of delicate white flowers, which keep perfect many weeks. For bridal bouquets or funeral work these flowers are unsurpassed, having a delicate beauty peculiar to itself. They are sure to bloom splendidly in any window and will be greatly admired. Plant three to six bulbs in a five inch pot and you will have a beautiful object for fully a month in winter. We know of nothing of the same cost which will afford such an elegant pot of flowers. It starts growth as soon as potted and commences to bloom in January, lasting a long time. Planted in the garden they are also splendid for early spring blooming; 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.



MUSCARI.

A class of bulbs closely allied to the Hyacinth and requiring the same treatment both for pot and garden culture. Though perfectly hardy and make a fine show in the garden, they are grown mainly for winter blooming. Several can be planted in a small pot and they will be exceedingly pretty.

Commutatum, beautiful dense spikes of deep indigo-blue flowers, shading to light blue at the top; splendid. 5 cts. each; 3 for 12 cts.; 12 for 30 cts.

Comosum, 40 to 100 flowers in a spike, blue, odd and fine; 3 cts. each; 5 for 10 cts.; 12 for 20 cts.

Azureum, blooms in October, or soon after planting at any time; very beautiful and desirable; light blue in spikes a foot high. 8 cts. each; 3 for 20 cts.

Moschatum (MUSK HYACINTH), flowers in spikes and highly fragrant. 25 cts. each.

Racemosus, deep indigo-blue, tipped white; blooms early in dense spikes, very beautiful and desirable. This charming variety should be in every collection, both for the garden and for winter blooming. 3 cts. each; 5 for 10 cts., 12 for 20 cts.

CALLAS.



CALLA, ETHIOPICA.

Ethiopica, the common Calla, of which we have some magnificent large bulbs in the best condition for winter blooming. The bulbs were grown in California and are of enormous size and will produce a large amount of bloom the coming winter. 25 cts. and 50 cts. each, according to size.

Compacta, a new dwarf compact form which does not grow very high, but produces large sized flowers in great number all the year round, for it blooms as freely in summer as it does in the winter. As it is not such a tall grower, it makes a much better pot plant than the old Calla. Extra fine, 50 cts.

Black Calla. This is perfectly grand; the largest and finest of all. See Novelties. 75 cts. each.



FRITILLARIA RECURVA.

FRITILLARIAS.

Very early flowering bulbs, suitable either for garden or pot culture. In pots they bloom during January or February and are very attractive.

Recurva, a rare species, closely resembling a Lily; flowers borne on graceful drooping stems and are very pretty, light scarlet, spotted black. It is little known or cultivated and will be an attractive object in any one's garden or window. Price 15 cts. each; 3 for 30 cts.



FRITILLARIA LANCEOLATA.

Imperialis, these are the well known Crown Imperials; very large bulbs, mixed colors. 25c. each.



SNOWDROPS.

These are the first flowers to greet us in spring, their pretty drooping snow-white blossoms appearing in March, a few days ahead of Scilla Siberica, with which they form a charming contrast. They are also splendid for house culture in pots, blooming usually at Christmas.

	Each 3 for Per doz.		
Snowdrops, single.....	\$ 5	\$ 10	\$ 30
Snowdrops, double.....	5	12	40
Elwesii, the giant snowdrop. Very large and fine.....	6	15	50

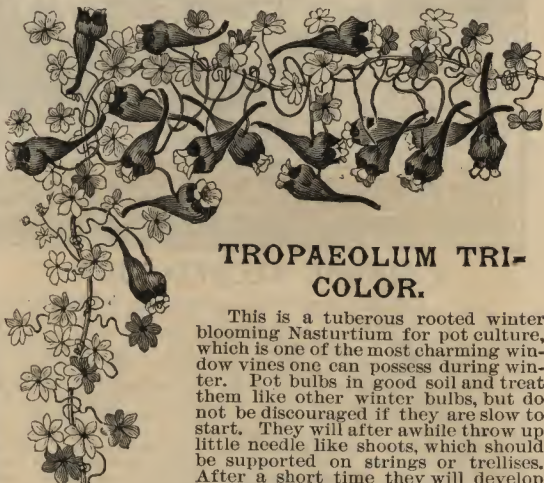


CHIONODOXA LUCILLÆ.

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GLORY OF THE SNOW.

One of the most lovely hardy flowering spring bulbous plants ever introduced, producing spikes of lovely azure blue flowers, with pure white centers. It is one of the earliest of all flowers, blooming before the Crocus, and sure to be more than satisfactory to those who plant it. A large bed of it at Floral Park the past spring attracted great attention, it being a solid mass of color. For winter blooming this bulb is also lovely, far surpassing Scilla Siberica. Strong home grown bulbs, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.



TROPAEOLUM TRICOLOR.

This is a tuberous rooted winter blooming Nasturtium for pot culture, which is one of the most charming window vines one can possess during winter. Pot bulbs in good soil and treat them like other winter bulbs, but do not be discouraged if they are slow to start. They will after awhile throw up little needle like shoots, which should be supported on strings or trellises. After a short time they will develop beautiful tiny foliage which will soon be followed by hundreds of brilliant flowers—scarlet, tipped with black and yellow—which keep perfect a long time, and make an object of the most charming beauty. 50c. each.



CROWN IMPERIALS.

Well known bulbs of large size, producing an umbell of bell-shaped flowers of various colors early in spring.

Mixed Colors, yellow, red, orange, etc., 25 cts. each, 3 for 60 cts.



CHINESE SACRED LILY.

This is the one great winter-blooming bulb which is more eagerly sought after than any other flower in cultivation, and we are pleased to announce that we have, by sending an agent to China every year for three years, found where the true variety is grown, and are therefore able to supply the demand with the **true large-flowering variety**, and prevent the disappointment which has been caused by the Chinese sending to this country inferior sorts instead of the **true Sacred Lily**. The Chinese Sacred Lily is properly a Narcissus of the Polyanthus type. The bulbs are very large and each one sends up from five to twelve spikes which bear clusters of large, perfect, waxy white blossoms, with a yellow center, and of a powerful and delicious fragrance, which is not excelled by any flower. About one bulb in three will produce double flowers, the others single, like the cut here shown. It is impossible to import the double and single ones separate, as the Chinese grow them mixed. They grow well in pots of soil, but the most popular way of blooming them is the Chinese method, as follows: Fill a bowl or some similar vessel with pebbles, in which place the bulb, setting it about one-half its depth so that it will be held firmly, then fill with water to the top of the pebbles and place in a warm sunny window. The bulb will at once commence a rapid growth and bloom in two or three weeks. The bulbs are so large and have so much vitality they can be

SACRED LILY

kept perfectly dry all winter and be planted at any time when the flowers are desired. Some of the samples our agent first brought from China were kept till April first, planted in pebbles and water and were in full bloom and used at the celebration of a wedding April 15th. Bulbs are hardy and bloom well in the open ground, but their greatest value is for winter blooming. After blooming during winter they should be planted in the open ground as early as possible in the spring. Our bulbs are expected to arrive from China in October. All orders for them will be booked and the bulbs sent out as soon as they arrive. To make sure of getting the best bulbs order as early as possible this fall. Price of extra large bulb, by mail, post-paid, 35c. each; two for 60c; four for \$1.

DICENTRA SPECTABILIS.

The old popular "Bleeding Heart" is a splendid thing for winter blooming. Pot the roots as you do any bulbs and put them away until winter, then bring them out, and in a light, sunny window they will bloom elegantly. Fine roots 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

SNOWFLAKE.

The Snowflake or *Leucojum Verum*, is an early spring flowering bulb, suitable also for pot culture. They produce large snow white flowers, and appear with the Snowdrop; 10c. each; 3 for 25c.



COLCHICUM.

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The Colchicum, or "Autumn Crocus," is a very worthy flowering bulb. After their foliage dies down in September they throw up numerous gay-colored flowers similar to the Crocus, but larger and more showy. Colors white, pink, bluish, violet, etc.; delicate and beautiful. 10c. each; \$1.00 per doz.

CHILDS' SUPERB LILIES.



Each.

The following 20 sorts are the grandest and best for general culture, being hardy, robust growers and sure to succeed with any one. We offer them this fall at special low prices that all our customers can have a good Lily bed. You cannot make a mistake in buying any of these, they will be sure to grow and please you. We offer only strong, home grown bulbs. Our new book "Popular Bulbs and their Culture," tells all about Lilies. Price, 25 cents per copy.

- Auratum**, the Golden Banded Lily of Japan, flowers a foot across, pure white, spotted crimson, with a golden band through the centre of each petal; very fragrant; the King of Lilies; home grown bulbs of enormous size. 35
- Aureum Maculatum**, a most beautiful sort, growing only one foot high, and producing in June several elegant upright flowers of the most beautiful soft light apricot yellow, spotted with black. It is one of the most pleasing sorts in cultivation. 15
- Bicolor**, another grand early blooming sort, exceedingly showy, being of a brilliant red color, flamed with yellow, very large and perfect. 15
- Candidum**, pure white, very fragrant, a fine old sort and grand for winter blooming in pots. Per dozen, \$1.50. 15
- Coridion**, a splendid Japanese Lily which blooms in June. Fine yellow. A real gem. 25
- Excelsum**, delicate buff, very fragrant and graceful. For delicate beauty few sorts can equal this. 50
- Longiflorum**, white, trumpet-formed; very fragrant. HARRISS, a splendid new variety, producing larger and longer flowers than the other varieties, and a great many more of them. It also blooms much earlier, and is much more desirable for forcing. 25
- Pulchellum**, fine bright scarlet, an early bloomer and one of the rarest and best of all Lilies. 50
- Pomponium Verum**, bright scarlet; very graceful, brilliant and desirable. It blooms in May, being earlier than any other except Pyrenaiceum. A good sort. 75
- Pyrenaiceum**, tall and graceful, with fine drooping flowers in great profusion. Yellow, spotted black. 50

- Speciosum**, (Lancifolium). No flower garden can be complete without some varieties of this most beautiful class of Lilies. They are sure to thrive and give satisfaction in any situation. They are fragrant, pure, brilliant and delicate in color, and graceful and stately in form. Their beauty will surprise all who are unacquainted with them.
- MONSTROSUM ALBUM**, pure white, with immense clusters of bloom, often fifty in a bunch. Grand. 20
- PRAECOX**, white, tinted pink; tall and vigorous; bearing 5 to 25 flowers on a stem; splendid. 50
- ROSEUM OR RUBRUM**, rose or pink, spotted darker; very beautiful. 20
- Superbum**, three to six feet high; flowers from five to forty, nodding, brilliant orange-red; blooms in July. This is one of the grandest of all Lilies. It is capable of growing and producing an astonishing number of flowers. 20
- Tigrinum**, Flore Plena, double Tiger Lily; very desirable as its flowers are very double and borne in great abundance. 15
- Thunbergianum**, (Elegans), this is another splendid class of Lilies. They are all erect or Tulip-shaped and bloom in June. They succeed in any location, and when in bloom present a magnificent array of colors. All sorts, mixed, per dozen, \$1.50. 15
- Tenuifolium**, (The Coral Lily of Siberia), very slender, with narrow foliage and small intense scarlet flowers; a perfect little gem; should be in every collection. 3 for 90 cents. 35
- Umbellatum**, one of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large perfect flowers and dazzling colors. They are robust growers and produce an enormous head of bloom. Colors range from black red through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, &c. Many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts, mixed, per dozen, \$1.50. 15
- Wallacei**, this Lily is very floriferous; each bulb throwing up from four to six flower stems, each one of which is crowned with three to ten beautiful upright blossoms of a delicate bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and a most desirable sort as it increases so fast. 15

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only \$5 we will send one fine Bulb each of the above 20 grand Lilies.



WINTER BLOOMING PLANTS.

The following choice plants are recommended for winter blooming, and for foliage decorations.



PRIMULA.

PRIMROSES.

The Primula or Primrose is a valuable winter bearing plant. We have a fine lot of young, healthy plants which will bloom magnificently this winter. They are of the Sinensis or large flowering variety.

Sinensis Fimbriata, large flowering, all colors mixed. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.



SANSEVERIA ZEALANICA.

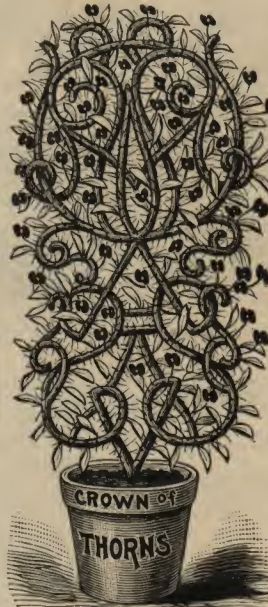
SANSEVERIA ZEALANICA.

A beautiful plant, splendidly adapted for the decoration of drawing-rooms and halls, as it stands drought and dust with impunity, and requires scarcely any water. The leaves, as shown in cut, grow to a length of three to four feet, and are beautifully striped crosswise, with broad white variegations on a dark green ground. It is a rare and beautiful plant which should be abundantly grown for positions out of the reach of sunlight, where other plants will not thrive. When you consider that it can be placed in any position in any room and do well its great usefulness is at once apparent. It has a singular beauty for decorative purposes which other plants do not possess, and is useful both winter and summer. For vases and baskets it is a fine center piece, and grows splendidly out of doors during summer. Fine plants, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

GAZANIA SPLENDENS.

A most beautiful plant either for pot culture or bedding out during summer. It is of low trailing habit like the ice plant, and producing freely large blossoms of a bright orange color, and having a jet black circle at the base of the petals. On each petal in the line of this circle is a pure white spot. The combination is striking and pretty. In pots it is a splendid winter bloomer. 20c. each.

TRADESCANTIA, MULTICOLOR.



This is a beautiful trailing vine, the foliage of which is composed of many colors—bronze, silver, pink, gray, rose, crimson, etc. It is very beautiful and will grow in any part of any light room, whether the sun ever strikes it or not. It grows rapidly and propagates freely. Very beautiful for decorating. Price, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

EUPHORBIA SPLENDENS.

Often called "Crown of Thorns," as the thorny crown which encircled the head of our Saviour was made (it is supposed) from this plant. The two specimens from which our stock was grown came from China, and were beautifully trained on wire frames, and are highly ornamental, especially when in bloom. It is a curious and rare plant, worthy of general cultivation. 30c. each.

KLEINA ARTICULATA.

This is also an odd and desirable succulent plant. The stems are round and fleshy, and from one-half to one inch thick, and covered with a slight growth of small heart-shaped leaves. It is one of those odd and curious plants known to botanists, but which are very seldom seen in cultivation, but which are always novel and attractive. It blooms freely during winter and is very pretty. 25c. each.



SEDUM PULCHELLUM.

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A fine decorative plant, and though not new it is almost unknown. The branches covered with a dense growth of foliage droop from a pot or basket most gracefully and are beautiful all the year round. In winter the plant blooms, showing fine clusters of golden flowers which are exceedingly pretty, and borne in the greatest profusion. An extra fine plant which will please all. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

**LINUM TRIGYNUM.**

A winter blooming plant of great beauty, producing in the greatest profusion very large and very showy blossoms of a bright yellow color. The plant is a complete mass of bloom for a long time during winter, and is one of the most beautiful winter bloomers it is possible to have. The flowers are about the size of a Morning Glory, and no matter how small the plant is, it will bloom profusely. 25c. each.

HOYA CARNOSA.

We have a fine stock of this beautiful wax plant, which is such an elegant climber, with clusters of charming wax-like blossoms. 25c. each.

Variegata, leaves beautifully variegated with white; very ornamental. 40c. each.

ELETTERIA CARDAMOMUM.**ELETTERIA CARDAMOMUM.**

resembling some of the most beautiful orchids, and last for weeks before fading. 25c. each.

VIOLETS.

Swanley White, as a plant for pot culture in the house for winter and spring blooming, or for planting in the garden or in frames, it is equally valuable. In pots it grows luxuriantly, and is loaded with flowers. In the garden it is hardy with slight protection, and greets us in early spring with a profusion of its large, snowy, sweet-scented blossoms. The growth of the plant is vigorous and healthy, bearing in great numbers, very large, perfectly double flowers of pure, snowy whiteness, and unexcelled fragrance. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Double Purple Violet, Marie Louise, to contrast with the white, we offer this fine double, deep bluish-purple, sweet-scented variety, recently introduced. Desirable for pots or the garden. Plants hardy, and bloom almost as freely as the white, especially in winter and spring. Flowers large and sweet. 15c. each; 8 for \$1.00.

HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS.

Like hardy Bulbs, hardy Perennial Plants are very desirable, for they live in the ground year after year, constantly increasing in size and beauty, flourishing and blooming with little or no care or attention. Don't fail to plant a good lot of these beautiful plants.

CLEMATIS.

For a trellis or pillar vine nothing equals the Clematis in grandeur and beauty; their large star-shaped flowers being produced in great profusion from June to October. We have many varieties not here offered, of new and fine sorts, and if the selection of sorts is left to us, the customer is sure to be greatly pleased. When well grown, many of the varieties produce flowers by the hundred from six to ten inches across. Price, 75c. each.

**COCCINIA CLEM-
ATIS.***(Bell-Flowered.)*

The bell-flowered Clematis is very beautiful indeed. It grows 10 to 20 feet in a season, dying down to the ground every winter, like an Apios. The flowers are borne freely and are bell-shaped, not opening flat like other sorts. Color brilliant rosy scarlet; very showy. 25c. each.

**LILY OF THE VALLEY.**

Strong flowering roots from the open ground, 40 cts. per dozen.

HONEYSUCKLE.

We wish to call your special attention to this beautiful and rare Honeysuckle, which is perfectly hardy and an elegant out-door climber. When cultivated in pots as a climber for window or porch it is exceedingly fine. The flowers are beautiful and with a most charming fragrance.

Halliana, a new white monthly Honeysuckle. It is evergreen, retaining its freshness during the entire winter; flowers pure white, turning to pale yellow, with the fragrance of the Cape Jessamine; hardy, vigorous grower; a constant bloomer; this is one of the most valuable of the late introductions. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

TWO GRAND SPIREAS.

We know of but very few perfectly hardy plants for out-door culture so desirable as these two charming Spiraeas. They bloom in June, and the blossoms are like large feathery plumes and unexcelled for all kinds of bouquets, vases and baskets of loose flowers. The plants form large clumps, bloom profusely and make a great show. 20 cents each, or the two for 30 cents.

Palmata, grows two feet high with large feathery plumes of the most charming rosy scarlet blossoms.

Elegans, pure white, in large clusters of compact spirals.

HARDY ASTERS.

These are exceedingly beautiful, producing for a long time great masses of elegant daisy-like blossoms, of delicate colors. A single plant will bear several thousand blossoms, and make a great show for a long distance. Perfectly hardy and bloom profusely every year. 15 cts. each.

Campanani, beautiful lavender, large and fine.

Del Puente, rich deep purple.



EUPHORBIA COROLLATA.

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A truly beautiful flower, which has received the popular name of White Forget-me-not. The flowers are pure white, borne in immense sprays or panicles, growing to the height of three feet. For bouquets, vases, baskets, etc., few flowers equal it for graceful beauty. The blossoms are very durable, and last for weeks when cut and placed in vases of water. When once planted, the roots form large clumps, which are a perfect mass of flowers all summer. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00. Seed 10 cts. per pkt.

ASCELEPIAS TUBEROSA.

This is a charming hardy plant, forming a large clump of growth 18 inches high, and bearing great clusters of the most brilliant orange scarlet flowers. It is a showy and striking object, and should be found in every garden. 15 cts. each; \$1.50 per doz.

EULALIA.

These plants form some of the most beautiful objects that can be grown. They are large spotted and striped grasses, forming a dense clump, and growing 5 to 10 feet high. They grow large feathery plumes, which are exceedingly odd and handsome, especially when dried and used for winter decorations. They are as valuable as the pampas grass for dry bouquets. As a lawn plant they have no superior, the long, wavy, variegated leaves resembling nothing else in cultivation.

Zebrina , long, wavy leaves, spotted with creamy yellow. Elegant.	\$2.50 per dozen	25
Japonica , leaves striped with white.	\$1.50 per dozen	15

For 30 cents we will send a plant of both sorts.

PLATYCODON, GRANDIFLORA.

Introduced by us five years ago, and has proved very valuable. It is a new hardy plant from Japan, producing all summer abundance of star-shaped flowers, three inches across, of beautiful blue and white colors. Perfectly hardy, and lives and blooms for many years, increasing in size and beauty each year. Plants grow three feet high and produce a beautiful mass of bloom. It is a plant that will please all. Strong roots 15c. each; 5 for 50c. Seed, 10c. per paper. If sown in April or May it will bloom the first summer.

ACHILLEA ALBA FL. PL.

This plant produces hundreds, and even thousands, of pure white double blossoms, and continues in bloom from July to October. For bouquets and cut flowers it is very valuable, and is one of the very best of all plants for cemetery planting. 15 cts. each; 5 for 50 cts.

DOUBLE DAISY.

We have a fine lot of the charming Double Daisy or *Bellis*. All colors mixed. As an early spring flower it is as fine as the Pansy, and should be planted in connection with it. Dozen, 75c.



NEW PERPETUAL PERENNIAL PHLOX.

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We desire to call special attention to these elegant Phloxes. In growth and foliage they are unlike other sorts, being dwarf and bushy. They commence blooming in June and continue until frost and are indeed charming. They produce their flowers in large panicles like a *Hydrangea*, and the brilliant colors show to great advantage. They are perfectly hardy and should be left in the ground over winter, where they will increase in size and beauty each year.

Master Morty Hulse, beautiful rosy lilac, marbled with white, flowers large and of beautiful form.
Master Clarence Hulse, pure white; flowers and truss of very large size and exceedingly beautiful.
Master Sylvester Hulse, beautiful lilac rose.
Miss Hattie Hulse, pure white, with beautiful pink eye.

Price, 20 cents each, or the 4 sorts for 70 cents.

Giant Perennial Phloxes, these grow taller than the above, with immense panicles of bloom, but do not flower so early. We have 10 of the finest colors, white, scarlet, pink, variegated, etc. Fine plants, colors mixed, 3 for 40c.; 6 for 75c.; 12 for \$1.25. They are grand.

APIOS TUBEROSA,

OR THE TUBEROUS-ROOTED WISTARIA.

A valuable, hardy, tuberous-rooted climber, closely resembling the common *Wisteria* in vine and foliage, and having clusters of rich, deep purple flowers, which have a strong, delicious violet fragrance. Plant the bulbs near a trellis, fence, tree or any place where you may wish a climber. They grow to a great height, and bloom profusely. The bulbs are perfectly hardy, and should not be taken up over winter. It is sure to give great satisfaction. If possible, plant two or three bulbs near together to produce a greater mass of vines and flowers. 10c. each; 6 for 50c.

WISTARIA, SINENSIS MAGNIFICA.

This popular hardy climber will grow 25 feet in a season and bears early in spring long racemes of blue flowers in the greatest profusion. A large plant in bloom is a beautiful sight with its hundreds of clusters in bloom. We have a very large stock and offer it extremely low. 20c. each; seven for \$1.

PANSIES.

Fine young plants of *Giant Excelsiors*, and *Imperial Germans*, mixed. Per dozen, 65c.; per 100, \$4.00.



IRIS, KAEMPFERI.

IRIS.

There is a fascinating beauty and fragrance about the Iris that is peculiar to this flower. The plants are very hardy, and when once planted will increase in size and beauty every year. Divide the clumps when they get too large.

Each.

Excelsior, large, white, suffused with blue; very sweet. 20

Germanica, this is one of the grandest classes of Iris. Plants form dense clumps, which send up many flower stalks, each one bearing several large beautiful flowers of various colors. No garden should be without them. They bloom early and are very sweet. All colors mixed; 12 for \$1.50. 15

Kaempferi, no description can do this grand plant justice. The flowers are borne in great profusion, and are of enormous size, often ten inches across. A great variety of magnificent colors. All colors, mixed; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.50. 20

Suslana, if every lover of flowers could see this grand plant in bloom, we really believe not one in a hundred would refuse to pay one dollar each for one or more bulbs of it. Among all flowers, there is hardly one of such oddity and striking beauty. The bloom is of enormous size, and in describing it we say: It is chocolate and black mottled, and beautifully veined with grayish white; yet, from this, no one can form a correct idea of how the flower looks. It is indescribable, and the planter will be surprised when he sees it. It is perfectly hardy, and blooms in May. Try it; and when it blooms, you will undoubtedly pronounce it the most beautiful flower in your garden; 3 for 50c. 20

AMPELOPSIS VEITCHI.

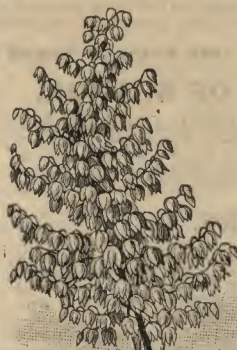
A new and rapid growing climber of great beauty, especially for brick or stone houses or walls. Its foliage, which is lively green in summer, changes in autumn to brilliant crimson, producing a most gorgeous effect. It will in a short time, entirely cover the side of a large building, and far surpasses the Ivy. We offer it at the low price of 15c. each; three for 35 cents.

DOUBLE HOLLYHOCKS.

These are always in great demands and are used for backgrounds or centers of beds, their tall spikes of beautiful flowers making them very valuable for such situations. Our stock of young, healthy plants is very fine, embracing all colors, crimson, buff, yellow, lemon, purple, rose, etc. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.50.

YUCCA, FILAMENTOSA.

(AN EVERGREEN PLANT.)



This plant is an object of beauty the year round, if only its leaves are seen; these are one to two feet long, bristling out at all angles with sharp points; flower stalk stout, four to five feet high, with 50 to 200 bell-shaped creamy white blossoms hanging from branching arms. It is of a tropical appearance and truly magnificent. Perfectly hardy and lives to a great age; 15c. each; 3 for 30c. Seed 10c. per paper.

HIBISCUS.

CHILDS' NEW HYBRIDS.



YUCCA.

brilliant rose; 15c. each; 5 for 50c.

They are perfectly hardy in any place and each spring send up numerous branches, which, from well established roots, grow 5 to 8 feet high, forming a dense clump, which is truly a showy object. For hedges they are unsurpassed. The flowers are produced in great profusion from July to September and are about a foot across, being the shape of large saucers. The colors range from pure white, through all the shades of blush and pink, to deep

HYACINTHUS CANDICANS.

A new species of Hyacinth, which blooms during August and September, grows three to five feet high, with spikes of pure white flowers two feet or over in length. Perfectly hardy and blooms from year to year. Price, 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

RARE ORNAMENTAL TREES.

Koelreuteria Paniculata, a small, handsome Chinese tree, bearing large panicles of yellow flowers, and in autumn large inflated seed pods which are exceedingly striking and ornamental. 15 cts. each.

Poplar, Golden Leaved, (Van Geert), a lovely tree with bright yellow leaves, which makes an odd and beautiful appearance. It is one of the most desirable trees to possess. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

Weeping Willow, an old and highly esteemed tree. 25c. each.

Cinko Biloba, this is a charming Maiden Hair tree, whose beauty it is useless to attempt to describe. It is also known as Salisburia, and has foliage like a Maiden-Hair Fern 20 cts. each.

Horse Chestnut, Double Flowering, a very rare tree, possessing great beauty both in foliage and flower. We all know the beauty of the common Horse Chestnut, but this far surpasses it. 50 cts. each; 3 for \$1.

Spanish Chestnut, a splendid ornamental tree which bears large crops of delicious nuts. It bears very young. 10 cts. each; 6 for 50 cts.

Ailanthus, the Chinese "Tree of Heaven," a rapid growing tree of great beauty. 20 cts. each.

Russian Mulberry, a superb rapid growing tree, which bears abundance of fine fruit. A most useful and ornamental tree. 20 cts. each.

Paulownia Imperialis, young trees will grow 15 feet in a season, with leaves two feet across. In spring it bears great panicles of blue flowers. This is really the grandest tree grown. 50 cts. each.

Catalpa, Koempferi, very ornamental and a rapid grower. Tree when only 2 or 3 years old bears great panicles of bloom. 15 cts. each.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only \$1.50 we will send, either by mail or express, one tree each of above 10 fine sorts.



A good bed of shrubs must not be overlooked by any one. Our shrub garden is one of the most interesting and beautiful features of Floral Park, and furnishes a profusion of flowers from April to October. No one can realize their great beauty until they have a few well established. Shrubs are a necessity to every garden and lawn, as they furnish abundance of the prettiest flowers and foliage, and serve to form a most beautiful background, or a fine screen for unsightly objects. For planting in cemeteries or parks they are practically valuable. What can be prettier planted side by side than the white-leaved Althea or Weigelia, golden-leaved Spirea, purple-leaved Berberry, and the gloss green foliage of other sorts, to say nothing of the gay and pretty flowers? A good shrub is an object of beauty anywhere, and as they are perfectly hardy and require but little care after once well planted, they should be extensively used. The plants we supply are strong, healthy and vigorous, all having grown one year in the open ground, and most of them will flower beautifully next season. Do not fail to plant a few. Our list this year includes many new and valuable sorts.

ONE EACH OF THESE 25 SHRUBS FOR \$3.

ALTHEA, OR ROSE OF SHARON.

A magnificent shrub, growing 5 to 10 feet high, and producing during August and September, a great profusion of flowers, large and showy. Its colors are white, rose, violet, &c., which produce a beautiful effect. Extra fine for cemeteries. We sell all colors mixed. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.50.

BERBERRY.

Purple Leaved, a shrub of striking beauty, as it has dark purple (almost black) leaves. The bush has a compact symmetrical form, and in May is loaded with beautiful drooping racemes of yellowish flowers. Makes a fine specimen. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.25.

Thunbergi, a shrub of great value; after blooming profusely it bears brilliant red berries which hang very thickly suspended from the branches. These berries keep on well into the winter, and make the bush very brilliant after the leaves have fallen. In autumn the leaves color very brilliantly. A grand acquisition. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

CALYCANTHUS FLORIDA.

This is the well known "sweet scented" shrub. It bears in May a great profusion of double purple blossoms, which have a strong, delicious pineapple fragrance. Very popular. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

DEUTZIA.

Orenata, fl. pl., grows four feet high, and in June is literally covered with double white blossoms, as perfect as roses. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Rosea, fl. pl., like the above except a charming rose color. Rare and fine. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Gracilis, height two feet, very compact, its branches drooping to the ground with their profusion of white Lily of the Valley like blossoms. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

ELDER OR SAMBUCUS.

Golden Leaved, this is a new and extra fine shrub. Its leaves are pure bright yellow, which color they retain all the season and present an object of striking beauty. Do not fail to try it. 25c. each.

FORSYTHIA OR GOLDEN BELL.

An old and valued shrub, growing 4 to 5 feet high, and in April or May, before its leaves appear, robing itself the length of its branches in pendulous bells of a bright yellow

color. It is such a mass of brilliant yellow that it can be seen for a long distance, and lights up a lawn or yard as nothing else can at that early season. Large bushes 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



HYDRANGEA PANICULATA GRANDIFLORA.

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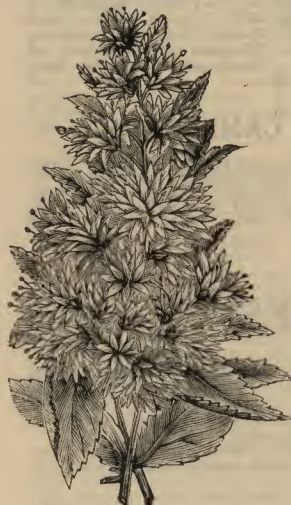
We believe this to be the most desirable hardy shrub in cultivation. Flowers white, borne in immense pyramidal trusses more than a foot long. It remains in flower two or three months; creates a great sensation wherever seen. It is sure to bloom finely the first season. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

LILAC, WHITE.

All know and love the grand old purple Lilac, but very few possess the large flowering pure white variety which we here offer. Do not fail to plant a few, it is so lovely in contrast with the other. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

PURPLE FRINGE.

This grand shrub is covered in midsummer with fine hair-like flowers, giving the whole plant the appearance of being wrapped in a cloud of purple mist. Striking and beautiful. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.



DEUTZIA.



RHODODENDRON.

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Everybody has heard of the great beauty of this shrub, although it is seldom seen, on account of its high price. We have had a lot grown in Europe so that we can furnish thrifty young plants **VERY CHEAP**. The plant is an evergreen, retaining its beautiful laurel like leaves all winter, and in early spring producing enormous clusters of gay flowers of various colors. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.



SNOWBALL.

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A grand old shrub which we all remember in childhood, producing in June large round balls of snow white bloom, which droop from the branches most gracefully. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

SWEET BRIAR.

This is a beautiful Rose (R. Canina,) which bears through the summer, large, single, bluish white, or pink flowers, in great profusion. The leaves have a peculiar sweet fragrance which is delightful. It is really a charming shrub. 10c. each; 6 for 50c.

SPIREA.

Van Houttel, the most showy of all the Spireas, and one of the very best flowering shrubs in cultivation. The plant is a rather tall, upright grower, with long slender branches that droop gracefully with their weight of foliage and flowers. Flowers pure white, in great clusters and whorls, forming cylindrical plumes two feet long. Few shrubs present a more charming appearance. It blooms freely when very small. New and fine. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Reevesi, fl. pl., pure white blossoms, very double, like small roses. Exceedingly beautiful. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Thunbergi, beautiful fern-like leaves which remain on till late fall, changing from green to most glowing and rich colors. Forms a large dense bush which in spring is a perfect mass of elegant white flowers. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Aurea, a grand shrub with bright golden yellow foliage. Very conspicuous and contrasts finely with other sorts. Flowers white, in clusters. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.



SPIREA—VAN HOUTTEL.

SYRINGA.

Mock Orange, a rapid growing, medium sized shrub, producing in June great masses of snow white flowers, similar to Orange Blossoms, and having the most delicious fragrance. It is a grand shrub of which one cannot have too much. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Double Pink, new and grand. 30c. each.

TAMARIX, AFRICAN.

A graceful shrub which in early spring is a complete mass of lovely light pink, spray like blossoms, exceedingly beautiful. The blossoms are followed by a peculiar fine evergreen like foliage, which make a curious looking bush all summer. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

WEIGELIA.

Rosea, a grand shrub which is a mass of fine bell shaped pink blossoms during June. It is one of the most popular and beautiful of all shrubs. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Candida, like the above except pure white in color. 15c. each. **Variegata**, similar to Rosea except it has a more dwarf habit, and its leaves are finely variegated with white and green. A most charming foliage shrub. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

THE TRIFOLIATE ORANGE.

(CITRUS TRIFOLIATA.)

A NEW HARDY ORANGE.

This is the most hardy of the Orange family, and will stand our northern climate with little or no protection, and is also desirable for pot culture. In the parks of both New York and Philadelphia it is growing luxuriantly, and blooming and fruiting profusely. Think of it friends, you can have an Orange tree growing, blooming and fruiting on your lawn or yard. It is dwarf, of a low, symmetrical growth, with beautiful trifoliate, glossy green leaves, and abundance of large, white, sweet-scented blossoms, larger and finer than any other variety of Orange blossoms, and borne almost continually. The fruit is small, bright orange-red in color, having a peculiar flavor. The fine appearance of the plant, with its constant habit of blooming, and showy fruit, combine to make a plant of peculiar value and beauty. It is a conspicuous and attractive object in any shrubbery or pleasure ground, pot or tub. Here at Floral Park it is growing magnificently in the open ground, and it is best suited for open ground culture, as it is deciduous and drops its leaves in the fall, and cannot be induced to make much growth in winter even in a greenhouse, though it will not drop its leaves if kept from frost. It blooms very profusely in spring and early summer, but after the fruit begins to form blossoms are not so plentiful. Our cut in Spring Catalogue represents a young tree about four feet high as it appears when in bloom and when in fruit, but the flowers and fruit do not appear together, to the extent there shown. The fragrance produced by a tree in bloom can be appreciated only by those who are familiar with the delicious perfume of the Orange blossom. We predict for this tree a great future. Strong, young, thrifty trees 30 cts. each.

DO NOT FORGET TO SUBSCRIBE FOR

..... The Mayflower.

CHOICE AND RARE FRUITS.

TO accommodate many of our customers, who wish a few fruit trees and shrubs, and who cannot conveniently get them by express, we have carefully prepared a brief list of varieties which will suit any person exactly, in any part of the country, and which we can send by mail, post-paid, at prices named; of course if any one can receive them by express, we can send larger ones in that way at same price. Of one thing our friends can be sure, and that is, we offer them only the very best varieties, those which have proved superior at all the great nurseries, and which will do well in all parts of the country. It has cost us a great deal of trouble to gain this knowledge, of which our customers can reap the benefit. It is one thing to plant fruits, but quite a different one to know which of the many varieties are really the best. The fruits here offered, being young and thrifty, will make a very rapid growth, and do as well and often bear as quickly as larger ones. Good fruit is one of the greatest luxuries a family can have, and those who have a chance to grow them should spare no trouble or expense to secure a good supply of the best sorts. Nothing enhances the value of a cottage or farm so much as a good garden and good supply of fruits. Such a place always finds a ready sale at a good price.

For a more complete list of Fruits see our last Spring Catalogue. Most fruits cannot be sent out until about the middle of October. We will fill all orders as early as possible.

DEWBERRIES.



DEWBERRY.

In this new fruit (which might be called a climbing blackberry) we have the most delicious of all berries, and one of the most ornamental of all climbing vines. They should be trained on a trellis or tied to a stake like grape vines, and in the spring they produce great masses of large, pure white, sweet-scented flowers, which are followed by clusters of delicious fruit, larger, richer, and far more prolific than blackberries, very juicy and sweet to the core. The fruit is borne in great quantity, and is admitted by all to be the finest of all berries. When made into wine it gives a gentle stimulant, which for invalids is unequalled, the flavor of the wine being as superior as the flavor of the fruit. It is perfectly hardy, and does not sucker from the roots, but is increased from the tips like Blackcap Raspberries.

Mammoth. Large and fine. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00; 15 for \$2.00.

Lucretia. A new sort of immense size and delicious quality. Berries often two and one-half inches in length and borne in great clusters. Very juicy and sweet. 15 cts. each; 10 for \$1.00.

CRANDALL TREE CURRANT.

A very important new fruit. It attains a height of 7 to 9 feet, branching freely, shoots often growing 4 or 5 feet in one season. It bears an enormous crop every year of large black fruit the size of a grape, which are in quality entirely unlike any other black currant, as it has none of the odor or disagreeable flavor common to black sorts. On the contrary, its quality is very fine indeed, and is not excelled for cooking in any form, either for pies, jam or jelly. Its flavor is that of the Sweet Currant combined with the acid of the Cherry Currant. It commences to bear the second year from cuttings, and will yield a big crop in proportion to its size. It begins to ripen the middle of July, and continues to the middle of August. Fruit hangs to the branches for a long time after ripening. The Currant worm does not infest this sort, and it is, in fact, entirely exempt from all insect ravages. It is perfectly hardy, and will stand the most severe climate without a particle of injury in any respect. Price of strong, healthy plants, 50 cts. each; 3 for \$1.00.

DOWNING'S EVERBEARING MULBERRY.



DOWNING'S MULBERRY.

The beauty of this as a lawn or street tree is quite enough to commend it, and it also yields an abundant supply of its large refreshing berries for over three months of the year.

The *Rural New Yorker* says: "Has everybody a Mulberry tree planted in his yard? If not, let not another year pass without planting one. Bear in mind, also, the Downing Everbearing Mulberry, it bears all the time except during winter; and it begins bearing when no taller than a one-year-old boy, at least that is the case with mine."

The late REV. HENRY WARD BEECHER said: "I regard it as an indispensable addition to every fruit garden; and I speak what I think when I say I had rather have one of Downing's Everbearing Mulberry than a bed of Strawberries."

Price 60 cts. each; two for \$1.00.

CURRANT, FAY'S PROLIFIC.

A superb sort of recent introduction. It is large and fine flavored, brightest cherry red, and four times as productive as any other red currant. The bushes are a perfect mass of long clusters of fruit. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.

PRUNUS SIMONI.

This new Plum is called the "King of Fruits," and is believed to be the most valuable new fruit introduced in many years. It is a native of Northern China, and is much hardier than any peach, and is as hardy as the leading apples, having stood without injury in Iowa thirty to forty degrees below zero. It forms a small tree, with quite large, long, oval, elliptical leaves, of a dark, shining green. Its flowers are small, white, and open in early spring. Its fruits are very pretty and large, brick red or dark cinnamon color. The flesh shows a fine apricot yellow, is firm, and has a peculiar aromatic flavor not found in the plums we cultivate, and equalled only by the nectarine. This grand fruit should be planted by every one who has a rod of ground. Price, 50 cts. each; \$5 per doz.

3 GRAND NEW GRAPES.



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We offer five sorts of this delicious fruit, which for fine quality, hardiness, vigor and freedom from mildew in all parts of the country cannot be surpassed. They will succeed with any one in any part of the country. There is no fruit that yields more prompt and generous returns, and none that responds more kindly to a little timely care and attention than the grape. Everybody that has a few feet of vacant ground, or a bare wall, fence or out-building, can plant a few grape vines, and have annual returns of the most noble and delicious fruit under the sun. Owners of city lots, or small places in the country, with a little care need never be without abundance of grapes in their season. You can do no more sensible or profitable thing for the comfort and delight of yourself and family, than to plant, and take care of a few grape vines.

Brighton, an early sort of the most delicious quality. Bunches large, of beautiful red color, vine hardy and vigorous; a grand sort. Price, 20c. each; \$2.00 per dozen.

Niagara, as hardy, vigorous and prolific as the Concord and the best of all white grapes. Flavor sweet and delicious, and bunches large, borne in great quantity. Ripens early. This grape has been more widely advertised and sold than any other sort. Price, 30c. each; \$3 per dozen.

Golden Pocklington, a delicious, sweet grape, of a beautiful yellowish color, early, hardy and vigorous. A grand sort of recent introduction. Price, 25c. each; \$2.50 per dozen.

Moore's Early, vine even more rugged than its parent Concord; fruit much larger in berry, but as a rule not so large in bunch; quality almost identical, and it ripens full two weeks earlier; a very valuable sort, especially north, as it is so early. Price, 25c. each; \$2.50 per dozen.

Empire State, a remarkable grape and destined to become exceedingly popular. The vine is a strong grower, extremely hardy, free from mildew and a heavy bearer. Clusters large, berry medium, nearly round, white with

a slight tinge of yellow, also a heavy white bloom; tender, juicy; sweet, rich. Ripens with Moore's Early, and is a remarkably good keeper. 30c. each; \$3.00 per dozen.

SPECIAL OFFER.—We will send one nice vine of each of above five sorts for \$1.00.

3 GRAND NEW EARLY GRAPES.

Here we offer a new white, black and red grape, which in size, earliness and delicious quality are superior to most other sorts.

Moyer, extra early, ripening three weeks ahead of Concord. Color deep bright red, and sweeter than Delaware, a sort which it somewhat resembles. Perfectly hardy, having originated in Canada, very healthy, vigorous and productive. Pulp juicy and tender to the center. This grand sort cannot be too highly recommended. 50c. each; \$4.00 per dozen.

Eaton, an enormous grape growing as large as plums and in bunches weighing from one to two pounds. Color black with a heavy blue bloom. Vine very tough, healthy and vigorous with enormous leaves. Pulp very tender, juicy and sweet, being superior to Concord and ripens earlier. Very hardy and enormously productive. Undoubtedly the finest as well as the largest black grape. 50c. each; \$4.00 per dozen.

Moore's Diamond, the finest of all white grapes and ripens the last of August. Vine hardy and healthy in growth, vigorous and free from mildew. Berries large, beautiful white tinged with yellow and of the most delicious quality, having very few seeds and a pulp which seems to melt in the mouth like snow. Do not fail to plant this delicious sort. 60c. each; \$5.00 per dozen.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only \$1.00 we will send one fine vine each of above three new early grapes. Or for \$1.75 we will send one each of the eight sorts above offered.



FIRST SEASON.

STRAWBERRIES.

We have reduced our list of Strawberries down to these two sorts, for they are the BEST AND MOST DESIRABLE IN ALL RESPECTS. These two combine every good point possessed by other sorts—size, quality, productiveness, health, vigor, and early and late season of ripening.

First Season. *It bears a good crop immediately after planting.*

This berry is rightly named, and is the most valuable sort ever introduced, as it *fruits at once*. In size they are among the largest, and in quality they are the *sweetest* and most delicious berry we have ever tried. We have known and watched this berry for a long time, and are satisfied that it must take first place, and is the sort which everybody must have above all others, for outside of its fruiting the first season it is the best and sweetest large berry, and an enormous cropper. Its season is late, and when planted with the Monmouth, which is extra early "Strawberry time," last for a long period. It is a self-fertilizing sort, as are also all other strawberries we offer. Strong, vigorous plants, 60c. per dozen; 25 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.00.

Monmouth—In this new berry are combined the best qualities of many leading sorts. It is a strong, rank, healthy grower, with everlasting foliage and perfect blossoms. It is one of the very earliest to ripen, and enormously productive, while in large, uniform size it has few equals. Its flavor is also the very best and sweetest, as it ripens so early (in May here), before the hot sun causes extreme sourness. As a rule, berries are much sweeter in Europe than here, as they have less hot sun upon them. Its extreme earliness helps to give Monmouth its extra sweet flavor. Its size is very large and it is an enormous cropper. 50c. per dozen; 30 for \$1.00; 100 for \$2.50.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For \$1.00 we will send 12 plants of each, or 50 of each for \$2.50. Plants cannot be sent out before October 15th.

POT-GROWN STRAWBERRY PLANTS.

READY SEPTEMBER FIRST.

For fall setting pot plants are the best for they can be had at any time after September 1st, and are strong, vigorous and well-rooted plants which will bear a large crop of berries next season. The sooner they can be set after September 1st the better, so they can have time to make as much root growth as possible before winter. We can supply strong pot plants of the following by mail or express at prices named.

First Season, \$1.00 per dozen; \$8.00 per 100.

Monmouth, " " " "

Jessie, " " " "

Monmouth Beauty, the largest in size but a weak grower; \$1.50 per dozen.

Michael's Early, very early and fine; new; \$1.50 per dozen.

White Pineapple, a novelty. Fruit when ripe, snowy white and highly flavored. \$2.00 per dozen.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For \$5 we will send 12 plants each of above 6 fine sorts.



NEW EVERBEARING RASPBERRY, EARHART.

RASPBERRIES.

The Raspberry is one of the best and most profitable small fruits that can be grown. They succeed in any situation, even in waste places, along stone walls, etc. Under good cultivation they produce surprising results, and pay ten fold for the care bestowed upon them.

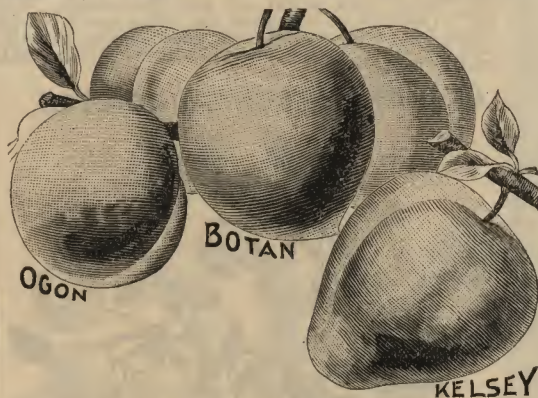
Earhart, of this wonderful new berry the producer says: "The fruit is of large size, jet black, and good quality, the first crop ripening the last of June. About this time the first of the new canes begin to bloom, and ripen their fruit soon after, and continue to bloom and ripen fruit until frost, producing heavy crops as late as September and October. It is a strong grower with corrugated foliage of dark green color, and has never been known to winter kill." Our experience with this berry has been highly pleasing. The spring of 1887 we set out 1,000 very small tip plants, which started at once into a strong growth and commenced fruiting in August, and continued until frost, producing remarkably large fine berries in enormous clusters, as shown in the cut, which was made from a bearing cane in October. We were surprised to see any fruit at all the first summer on so small plants. It is certainly a perpetual bearer, and we believe has all the good points claimed for it. It wintered in an exposed position without a cane being killed. In fact it is the hardiest sort we know. This season the yield of fruit is marvelous. It commenced to ripen July first, and is bearing enormously, and will continue until frost. We consider it in all respects a highly valuable sort on which too much praise cannot be bestowed. Every one speaks highly of it. The *Rural New Yorker* of October 23, 1886, speaks in glowing terms of it. It says, that one cane, September first, had 380 berries, one-third fully ripe. Price, 25c. each; 5 for \$1.

Cuthbert, a large red variety of splendid quality and great productiveness. Hardy and vigorous; this is the finest known red sort. Price, 10c. each; 3 for 25c; 12 for 75c; 100 for \$2.50.

Golden Queen, a new golden yellow berry of great size, productiveness and fine quality, rich, juicy and delicious. Vine a strong, rank grower, fruit extremely large and very beautiful, selling in market above all other sorts; exactly like Cuthbert, except in color. Price, 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen; \$7 per 100.

IMPROVED DWARF JUNE BERRY.

This is a fine dwarf tree which is very valuable, both for its ornament and fruit. It is one of the first of all trees or shrubs to bloom in early spring, and is a complete mass of white cherry-like blossoms, showing to great advantage for a long distance. It is indeed one of the most lovely flowering trees. After the plant is two years old we have never known it to fail fruiting a single season on any soil, and any season, however unfavorable. After two years the plant will hang loaded with this luscious fruit, so the branches will weep to the ground. It will grow about four feet high. The berries are about half an inch in diameter, and of a beautiful deep purple of exceedingly luscious quality. Delicious to eat out of hand, stewed, or for pies. As for its hardiness it is a well known fact that it is the favorite and main food for bears in **Alaska**, and when eating this berry, that they become fatter than at any season in the year. This berry will grow on any soil, and in any climate, and bear lots of fruit each year. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.



NEW JAPAN PLUMS.

These grand new Plums come in bearing at the age of two or three years, blossoms often appearing the first year. Fruit very large, often weighing over six ounces, with very small pit. Very attractive, fine quality, melting, rich and juicy, and enormous bearers. Wherever these Plums have grown and fruited they have created a great sensation by their enormous size, fine quality and great productiveness. **Kelsey**, rich yellow overspread with crimson, large and fine but late to ripen. 40c. each; \$4 per dozen.

Botan, large, rich purple in color; medium early. 40c. each. **Ogon**, golden yellow, very early, large and sweet, and an enormous bearer. 40c. each; \$4 per dozen.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For \$1 we will send one tree each of these wonderful Plums.



CRAB APPLE.

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The Crab is now being planted as an ornamental lawn tree. When in bloom in May they are very beautiful, and when loaded with their showy fruit they are indeed ornamental. They bloom and bear abundantly when very small, and are, indeed, objects of great beauty, to say nothing of their fruit, which is unsurpassed for canning, preserving, jellies and sauce. Their ornamental and useful qualities combined make them doubly desirable for planting in any situation. They bloom and bear abundantly when very small.

Martha, a new crab raised from the seed of the Duchess of Oldenburgh, by P. M. Gideon, of Minnesota. "A rapid, stiff grower, a perfect pyramid in tree; a great bearer of the most beautiful fruit; a bright, glossy yellow, shaded with light, bright red; a mild, clear tart, surpassing all other crabs we ever grow for all culinary purposes, and fair to eat from hand. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.

Hyslop, very fine, profuse bearer. Fruit of good size and fine shape; deep, bright red with blue bloom. Very showy, and one of the finest for jellies and preserves. These two varieties of different colors are very beautiful and fine, we advise our customers to plant both. 20cts. each; 6 for \$1.00.

QUINCE, MEECH'S PROLIFIC.

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This wonderful fruit often attains a growth of five feet or more the first year from cutting, continuing to make a like vigorous growth as they progress; one made 29 feet of wood the second year. They are remarkable for their early and regular bearing and for their wonderful productiveness, sometimes bearing when only two years old. The fruit also is remarkable for its rare combination of beauty of form and color, size, fragrance and flavor. It is shaped like a handsome pear with a smooth, fine skin, of a bright orange yellow, and very large, averaging under good culture, 12 to 15 ounces each. Flesh of the most delightful fragrance and delicious flavor, a basket of this fruit fully ripe, perfuming a large room with its delicate aroma. Its cooking qualities are unsurpassed, being as tender as a peach and quite free from the hard lumps so objectionable in many other varieties. Its beauty of form and color, and holding well its leaves until late in the autumn, renders the tree an attractive ornament to the home grounds, and the rich golden hue of an orchard in bearing reminds one of an orange grove in the south. 40 cts. each; 3 for \$1.00.

CHERRY, OLIVET.

A few good cherry trees should be found in every place, for they are one of the very first fruits of the season and one of the most delicious. They come when there is no other fruit ripening, and fill a place which no other fruits can. This is one of the very finest, a shiny deep red, large globular, tender, very rich and vinous. It ripens from the middle to the last of June, and is one of the largest and most prolific sorts in cultivation. It is a rapid grower and commences to bear when very young, usually in two or three years from planting. Vigorous young trees, 30 cts. each; 4 for \$1.00.

**CHESTNUT, JAPAN GIANT.**

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A grand, new Chestnut, which commences to bear when but two or three years old, often producing a large crop as they stand in the nursery rows, and we have seen burrs containing from four to seven large perfect nuts. The size of the nuts is about four times larger than the wild chestnut, and it is a tree which everyone should plant. 50 cts. each.

FILBERT, KENTISH COB.

This, the largest and finest of all Filberts, is a most desirable nut. The bushes are low, and occupy but little room, and can be planted in any out-of-the-way place, where they produce annually large crops of the choicest nuts. They commence bearing the next year after planting, and the bushes grow and increase rapidly. The Kentish Cob is one of the choicest, scarcest, highest priced, and most delicious of all nuts. Plant a few by all means. They are sure to do well and bear in a year or two. 30 cts. each; \$2.50 per doz.



FILBERT.

PECAN, HARDY PROLIFIC.

This nut, so well known and highly prized by all, is of the easiest culture—the tree being of sturdy, lofty growth, and very prolific. Many suppose it is not hardy North, which is entirely erroneous. The shell is very thin, the kernel sweet and delicious. This is a very superior variety, large, hardy and exceptionally thin shelled and prolific. 20 cts. each; 7 for \$1.00.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 80 cts. we will send one each of these 3 fine nuts.

SPECIALTIES AND NOVELTIES.

Under this heading we offer Bulbs and Plants which on account of their novelty or other special merits, we deem worthy of more than ordinary notice. This list this year possesses unusual attraction. We never before had half so many new and rare Plants and Bulbs to offer. As you look through the list you will find that most of these rare gems are offered at moderate prices, and that there are some surprising special offers. We advise our customers to study this list carefully. Everything we offer we know to be most excellent. We call special attention to the New Black Calla, Hyacinth Monstrosa, and Belgicus, Saxifrage, Orchid, Otahheite Orange, Crinum, Wineberry, Manettia, Pleroma, Cactus, &c.



DOUBLE YELLOW OXALIS.

Oxalis.

Double Yellow.

This beautiful Oxalis is a free bloomer and bears large double flowers, as perfect as double daisies. Color, brightest yellow. In planting Oxalis for winter bloom do not omit this fine sort. It is extra valuable both on account of its novelty and beauty. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Duke of Albany, rich crimson, flaked white, fine... 15
Queen Victoria, salmon scarlet, feathered pure white; lovely... 10
The Bride, pure white... 10
Insignis, large crimson flower, flaked with purple. Fine early bloomer... 10
SPECIAL OFFER.—For 35c. we will send one bulb each of the 4 fine sorts.

Gladiolus Atroviolacea.



A new blue Winter-blooming Gladiolus from the Holy Land. It is of a dwarf habit, bearing a spike of 7 to 12 blooms which are of a blueish black color, very rich and exceedingly odd, and the only blue flowered Gladiolus known. It is therefore a novelty of unusual merit, and one which is bound to attract great attention. We would advise treating it like a hyacinth, giving it plenty of time to form roots before bringing it out to bloom. Fine bulbs 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Hyacinth, Monstrosa.

This is the largest, and we think the finest, double Hyacinth known. The spike is solid and composed of florets



which are two inches or more across. Each flower is composed of wide outside petals, while the center is filled solidly with small twisted, quilled petals, making a flower as compactly double as a Dahlia. Color a fine shade of blue, while the outer row of large petals are tipped with green, which gives it a most unique appearance. No matter how many

Hyacinths you have, your collection is not complete without this most beautiful one. 25c. each.

Roman Hyacinth, Canary Yellow.

Few novelties will come out this year which will in importance surpass this New Yellow Roman Hyacinth. There is nothing to be said of it except it is like the common Roman white except in color, which is a lovely shade of light yellow. 15c. each.



Winter-Blooming Gladiolus.

It is with much pleasure that we are able to offer a new class of Winter-blooming Gladiolus, hybrids of Colvill. They are of very dwarf habit, and 3 bulbs can be grown in a six inch pot. The spikes of bloom are good and the colors exceedingly striking and beautiful. Cultivate like Hyacinths.



NARCISSUS POETICUS ORNATUS.

Narcissus Poeticus Ornatus.

A new sort of recent introduction, and a great improvement on the old Poeticus, especially for Winter-blooming, as the flowers appear 3 to 4 weeks earlier than the old sort. It is among the most satisfactory of all bulbs for forcing, blooming very early and the flowers are very large and borne in pairs. Color, pearly white, with crimson and yellow cup. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 90c.

Narcissus Syriacus.



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The flowers of this beautiful novelty are large and fine, borne in loose clusters, with a fragrance resembling vanilla. Color, ivory white with a yellow cup. Narcissus are now all the rage, and many novelties are being brought out, but we believe none will prove so valuable as this. It is of the Polyanthus type but its blossoms are very much larger than any of that class we have yet seen, while its fragrance is unrivalled. For pot culture it is especially valuable, as it will bloom so early. They can be had in flower the last of November for Thanksgiving. Fine bulbs, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Chrysanthemum Chromo.

We yet have left a few copies of our grand Chrysanthemum Chromo, size 21x27 inches, and showing in natural size and colors 18 of the finest Chrysanthemums. Price, postpaid, 30c. each; 3 for 75c.



Two Elegant Lilies.

These two fine Lilies are grown extensively for winter blooming in pots, and with large bulbs they are sure to bloom well and make grand pot plants during winter, their large spikes of large sweet blossoms eclipse in beauty and fragrance nearly everything else. Bulbs of ordinary size will be found offered among other Lilies in this catalogue.

This offer is of Bulbs which have been specially grown for winter blooming, and are more than twice the size of ordinary bulbs, and the amount of bloom they will produce will be surprising. Try these enormous bulbs for winter blooming.

Harrisi, or the Bermuda Easter Lily, large pure white-trumpet formed flowers, of great beauty and fragrance; 50c. each; \$5 per dozen.

Candidum, very sweet, pure white wax-like flowers, 50c. each; \$5 per dozen.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 75c. we will send one immense bulb each of these two Lilies.

Crocus Biflora.

This is a most charming variety, and the best of all for pot culture. It blooms in January and lasts a long time, as each bulb sends up several flowers in succession. Half a dozen can be planted in a small pot and will make a lovely sight. Color inside fine white, tinged blue, outside beautifully feathered black and yellow, an odd and beautiful combination. It is also very fragrant, and we earnestly recommend all to try it. 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.; 25 for 50c.



CROCUS BIFLORA.



ERYTHRONIUM.

Erythronium.

These are bulbs which should be extensively grown both in the garden and for winter blooming in pots. The common varieties which have been generally sold have not given good satisfaction, hence we have never offered them, and these two splendid new sorts must not be compared with any you have previously seen or attempted to grow. They have large and beautiful lily-like blossoms which appear early in spring. The foliage is large and beautifully spotted. They are hardy in the garden, and very desirable, but are far better for winter blooming in pots, and being of the easiest culture and sure to bloom freely in midwinter, few bulbs of their cost will give better satisfaction. Pot or plant the bulbs as soon as received, as they will suffer if allowed to remain dry.

Grandiflorum, flowers lovely straw color; leaves beautifully mottled in brown, green and white. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Smithi, like the above, except color, it being pure white, changing to purple. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 40c. we will send 3 bulbs of each.



TILLANDSIA UTRICULATA, OR PINE APPLE AIR PLANT.

Tillandsia Utriculata, or Pine Apple Air Plant.

In this we have a most ornamental and unique hanging plant. Unlike other plants, it requires neither soil nor fertilizer, its roots serving only to fasten itself to the branches of trees, while it derives all its nourishment from the air. Secure the plants to a forked stick, piece of bark, wire frame, bunch of moss, or anything of the sort, and suspend them in a window, and they make one of the most attractive objects that can be had. The leaves are very beautiful grayish green, long and pointed, and curve and droop most gracefully. It is of the easiest growth, and will thrive in any window, requiring only a good sprinkling of water once or twice a week. When a plant attains a good size it will bloom, producing a large forked panicle as seen in the cut. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.



The New Black Calla.

Among recent Bulb introductions we doubt if there has in several years been anything brought out which is so eminently desirable as this. It is a bulb which has come to stay, and find its way rapidly into every collection of winter flowers. We say *winter* flowers, as it is strictly a winter bloomer and will bloom no other time. Its flowers are enormous, fully a foot in length; color, clear coal black, so intense that it really shows a brilliancy, and as may well be imagined it is a flower of the most striking oddity and beauty. A person who possesses a bulb of this Calla has indeed a treasure, which will be the envy of an entire neighborhood. The bulbs are large and should be potted in the fall, and when growth commences set in a window. After blooming the foliage will die down and the bulb should be kept dry for planting again in the fall. In addition to its great beauty and oddity it has a fine fruity fragrance. It is a native of the Holy Land and was introduced into Italy last year. Our bulbs came in one of the first importations from the Holy Land. Price of large flowering Bulbs, 75c. each.

Resurrection Plant.

A great curiosity from Mexico. The plants, when dry, roll up into a ball, and can be laid away and kept in that state for months or years, to all appearances perfectly dead; but when placed in a saucer or vase of water, they, in a few moments, unfold, become green and beautiful, and make a very pretty plant as long as they are kept moist. 10c. each.

Crinum Ornatum.

Probably no plant possessing so much grandeur as this is so little known. This is due to its great scarcity and high price, it being only recently that a bulb of it could be bought for less than twenty-five dollars, and very few could be found even at that. It is the King of the Amaryllis tribe, and we all know that that means a pretty fine thing. A bulb which stands at the head of such a glorious tribe of flowering bulbs as the Amaryllis must indeed be a treasure—and so it is. It produces a large round bulb which grows to weigh as much as ten pounds. It rests in winter and grows and blooms in spring and summer. It can be treated as a pot plant, or grown in the garden as a summer-flowering bulb. It is of the easiest culture and sure to succeed with any one. Its flowers are large and like a most beautiful lily, borne in enormous clusters at the top of stout scapes. Color soft, delicate blush, with a pink bar through the center of each petal, and very sweet scented. Whoever possesses Crinum Ornatum has a treasure seldom met with. Fine flowering bulbs, \$3. each.



Tulipa Montana.

A very early bloomer and a splendid companion to Tulip Peacock which we introduced last year. It is bright crimson with a black, white edged spot at the base of each petal. It is exceedingly showy. 50c. each.

Inoposidium, (Diamond Flower.)



We believe we are the first to offer in this country the charming Portuguese Diamond Flower, and which has been selling at such enormous prices in some parts of Europe. It is one of the loveliest little annuals known, rarely growing over two inches in height, and forms a tuft of beautiful foliage which is completely smothered in a profusion of white and violet blossoms glistening like diamonds. It will be in bloom within a month from the time of sowing the seed at any time of year. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have

the most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss—that you ever saw. In the garden it will grow and seed all summer, covering the ground with a perfect carpet of beauty. In the fall the self-sown seed will come up and bloom profusely from October until spring, regardless of ice and snow. They make a lovely bed of flowers all winter long. Per pkt., 15c.; 2 pkts., 25c.

Amaryllis Regina.

A variety of great importance as it surpasses all others as a winter bloomer, and is becoming a very popular bulb for fall planting. It is grown largely in Bermuda and sent to this country with Liliun Harrisii in August and September. For winter blooming the bulb requires to be potted same as a Hyacinth or Lily, and is quite sure to succeed admirably and bloom freely in midwinter. The flowers are of fair size, beautiful shape, well open and of a brilliant orange scarlet color with a light center. Fine bulbs, 50c. each.

Anemone, Pres. Carnot.

This new single Anemone is the finest of the whole tribe. Its flowers are enormous, 4 inches across, and of the most intense dazzling scarlet color. Its period of bloom lasts from the end of January to the end of March. It is a magnificent pot bulb. 25c. each.



CAMASSIA ESCULENTA.

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A lovely bulbous flower, which should have a place in every garden. It is as hardy and robust as a tulip, producing each spring tall graceful spikes of lovely blue flowers, resembling to some extent the Hyacinth, though more graceful. It increases rapidly and soon forms a dense clump, which is, when in bloom, a beautiful sight. It is also a magnificent pot bulb for winter blooming. Several can be planted together or mixed with other bulbs, and in either case the charming spikes of flowers will be delightful. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 80c.



HYACINTHUS BELGICUS

Hyacinthus Belgicus.

We have been more than pleased with our trials of this charming Hyacinth species, both in the garden and in pots for winter decoration. They are entirely different from other hyacinths, free bloomers and very pretty, making a pot of flowers which it is hard to beat. If several are planted in a five inch pot they will produce a mass of bloom which will astonish you with its beauty. In the garden they bloom very freely and later than other sorts. Both in the garden and pots they should be treated exactly like other Hyacinths. They should be universally planted and so sure are we that they will prove a success with all who try them, we have imported a very large quantity and offer them at a price which will enable all to possess a few at least.

Blue, fine clear color. 8c. each; 3 for 20c.; 75c. per doz.

Violet, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 50c. per doz.

White, pure and fine. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 50c. per doz.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only 15c.

we will send one bulb of each.



Two Rare Ferns.

Sword Fern, a magnificent sort with beautiful fronds, often four to five feet in length, a hardy robust grower, and valuable for pots, baskets, vases, or the garden. 25c. each.

Walking Fern, a very rare and curious hardy fern, suitable either for pot or open ground culture. It is known as the "Walking" Fern from the fact that its leaves run out to a long slender point, which strikes in the ground and takes root, a new plant springing up and in like manner establishing another plant a foot or more away. In this way they will walk quite a distance in the course of a season. 25c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 40c. we will send one plant each of these two Ferns.



Sternbergia Lutea.

(The Yellow Amaryllis.)

A fine flower of the Amaryllis family. It is perfectly hardy and can be grown in the garden as well as in pots. It blooms in autumn and its flowers are a dark golden color. Very beautiful. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

Butterfly Or- chid.

One of the special features of our business is to accumulate an enormous stock of some specially good new thing, that we may be enabled to offer it to our customers at a great bargain—far below the usual cost. This splendid Orchid is one of these special offers. Every one knows the beauty and value of a good Orchid, but on account of the extravagant price few people are able to possess one. Here is an opportunity of getting one of the best and easiest growing sorts for only 50 cents. All that is necessary is to secure the plant and a little moss bunched around the roots, to a piece of board or bark and suspend it in a window or conservatory. Keep the moss wet and the plant free from dust and you will have a unique and beautiful object. It blooms freely, producing large panicles of gay flowers which keep perfect a long time. The flowers are composed of several colors which are delicate and butterfly-like. Strong plants of blooming size, 50c. each; 3 for \$1.00.



Pleroma Splendens.



This is a new plant which flowers at all times of the year and is especially valuable for winter decoration. Wherever it has been grown it has given the greatest satisfaction, and one hears nothing but praise said of it. We have had it several years and now offer it for the first time. Its blossoms are borne freely and are very large and showy, of a rich pur-

ple blue color. A plant is never too small to bloom and will in time grow to be several feet tall and branch freely. They are desirable either as pot plants for summer and winter bloom or for bedding out during summer like a *Lantana* or *Heliotrope*. 25c. each.



Rivinia Humilis.

A very pretty plant on account of the long racemes of bright scarlet berries with which it is loaded at all times of year. It grows like a weed and begins to bloom and fruit when very small. It is exceedingly ornamental both summer and winter. Its beauty being so entirely unlike that of other plants it is always an odd and attractive object in any collection. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



The Manettia Vine.

Is the most magnificent flowering vine in cultivation, either for the house or garden, for it is loaded with bloom every day in the year. In the house it can be trained all around a window, and will be a solid wreath of bloom both summer and winter. In the garden, its charming beauty surpasses everything. Flowers, intense scarlet, tipped with yellow, the most brilliant and striking combination, and borne by the thousand. Each flower keeping perfect over a month before fading. It is of the easiest culture and sure to thrive for any one with ordinary care. It can be trained on a trellis, strings, or used for drooping from hanging baskets; in any way a perfect mass of the most lovely flowers and foliage from the root to the tips of the branches. Plants continue to bloom most profusely for many years, and its great beauty and novelty attracts every eye. We never saw a more beautiful or satisfactory plant. Price of strong plants already budded and blooming, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.

Solanum Jasminoides Grandiflora.

A most beautiful new plant, which inclines to a trailing or climbing habit, but never attains a greater height than 3 to 5 feet, and can be pinched back to a bush form. Its flowers are star-shaped, like a clematis, and borne in enormous panicles or clusters, often a foot across. In color, they are pure white, with a violet tinge on back of petals, and on the buds. In pots it is a fine bloomer, both summer and winter; but its grandeur for out-door culture when trained against a wall or trellis, and showing hundreds of these magnificent panicles of bloom, cannot be described. It is a free and constant bloomer, commencing when only a foot high, and like the Manettia, its flowers keep perfect a long time before fading. No more beautiful object can be seen than these two vines growing side by side, and mingling their profusion of bloom. Strong plants, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.

Azaleas.

LARGE SPECIMEN PLANTS.

We have a fine stock of large specimen Azaleas which we can sell very cheap. They are compact, bushy plants, and vary in size, the largest being 3 and 4 feet across. They will be a perfect mass of bloom this winter. Price by express, well packed, \$3.00 to \$7.00 each, according to size. Any one who buys one or more will get a great bargain.

The Angle or Transplanting Trowel.



This new tool is the finest thing for garden work we have ever seen. For transplanting, lifting or setting Plants or Bulbs it has no equal. We are so much pleased with it that we have arranged to supply them to our customers by mail postpaid, at 25c. each.





Bryophyllum Calycinum.

A most curious and beautiful succulent plant, with thick, heavy leaves which, if cut and laid on moist soil or sand, little plants will grow from the notches all around the leaf. They grow very quickly to a considerable size and make a healthy and beautiful looking plant. When in bloom it presents successively two distinct aspects; first, when the calyx develops itself—membranous, inflated, smooth as silk, cylindrical, round at either end, of a pea-green color streaked with red, increasing in size until it becomes two inches in length; and afterwards, when the corolla-tube, which is five cleft and of a dull red color, breaks through and protrudes an inch beyond the toothed limb of the calyx. In a neighboring greenhouse, a plant three years old from the leaf bud is now producing over three hundred flowers. The blooming stalks are about three feet in height. The flowers, borne upon slight pedicels, droop directly downwards, and are swayed by every breath of air like so many suspended Chinese lanterns. In panicles, three hundred or more of these form a singular display. The cut given here hardly does justice to the beauty of its foliage, although it is a very fair representation of the bloom. It is impossible to describe the lovely tint of the leaves, which are also very prettily scalloped.

If the Bryophyllum never produced its panicles of graceful drooping bloom, it would still be worthy of culture for the beauty of its foliage and its fine shape or form of growth. As it is a free-growing plant and of sturdy, upright habit, the stem inclining to be shrub-like with age, it may be easily grown in the form of a miniature tree, thus rendering it a fine addition or ornament to the greenhouse, window garden or conservatory. It blooms during winter. Fine plants, 25c. each.

Saxifraga Granulata fl. pl.

We believe this is to become one of the most valuable winter flowers in existence. Though we have not tested it to the extent we usually do a thing before offering it, it is evident that it is a most valuable acquisition to winter bloomers, as well as a splendid thing for garden culture. The bulbs are very small and at least three should be planted in a pot together to get the best results. Their treatment should be the same as that of Hyacinths, Crocus, etc. The flowers are borne in profusion, are as double as the best roses, and pure snow white in color. One can readily appreciate the value of such a fine double white flower during winter, or in the garden during the spring months. It is

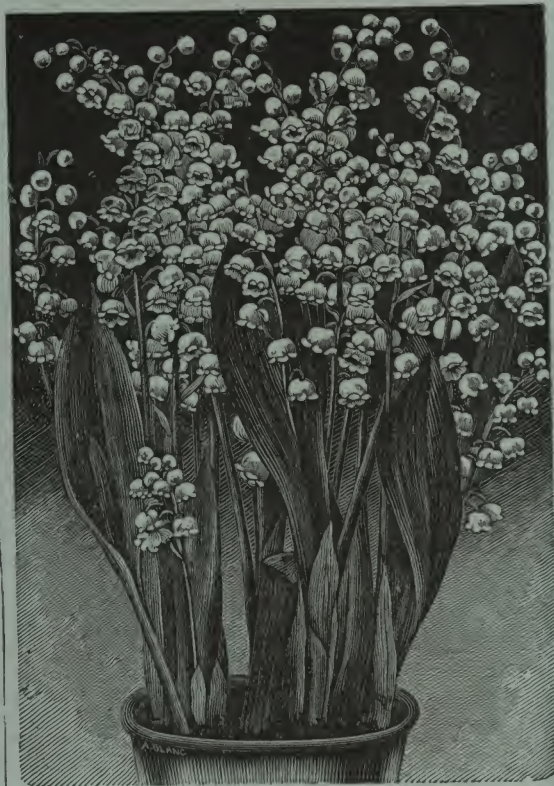


SAXIFRAGA GRANULATA FL. PL.

perfectly hardy and will thrive most anywhere. It is known in Europe as the "Fair Maid of France." We have imported an enormous quantity of it and offer it at the very low price of 3 bulbs for 10c.; 12 bulbs for 30c.

TRY OUR "JEWEL" COLLECTION,

25 Fine Bulbs for 50c. See page 4.



LILY OF THE VALLEY.

Lily of the Valley.

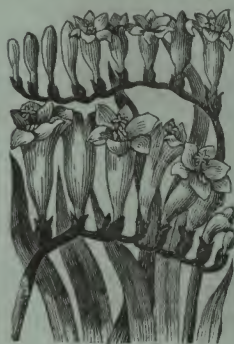
FOR WINTER BLOOMING.

Here we offer strong imported pips of this lovely flower which have been grown especially for winter blooming. They can be potted, six in a four inch pot and placed in a cool place till needed for blooming, then bring them out to the light and warmth, and give plenty of water. They will at once send up their beautiful green leaves and sprays of lovely white, sweet scented blossoms. Like other bulbs the flowers are much larger and finer when raised in the house than in the garden. These imported pips will not be ready to send out until November. Orders will be booked for shipping then. We can supply them all winter. 6 for 30c.; 12 for 50c.; 30 for \$1.



Dodocatheon Media.

A lovely plant for winter and early spring blooming, having roots much like the Lily of the Valley, and clusters of beautiful bloom resembling to a great extent the Cyclamen. The roots or pips should be potted in autumn and set away until they commence growth, or until midwinter, then bring them out to a window for blooming. Their colors are delicate and beautiful, and the flowers are also fragrant. They are perfectly hardy and can be grown in the open ground where they will bloom freely every spring, increasing in size and beauty each year. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for \$1.00.



SCARLET FREESIA.

Scarlet Freesia.

(*Anomatheca Cruenta.*)

This bulb botanically known as *Anomatheca Cruenta*, is in all respects exactly like a Freesia, except it does not bloom so early. The flowers are bright scarlet and very showy. On account of its color it is very valuable to grow with Freesias, as their colors are only white and yellow. It requires the same treatment in all respects. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.



JAPANESE WINEBERRY.

Childs' Great Japanese Wineberry.

We offer this entirely new, distinct and valuable berry with the feeling that it is only once in a lifetime that a florist can give to the world a plant of so much novelty, beauty and usefulness. All things combined it is the most novel and valuable article we ever introduced and it will prove a benefit to mankind from now to eternity.

HISTORY.—Prof. Georgeson of the Japanese Imperial Agricultural College, while traveling among the mountains of Japan for rest and recreation, came upon this berry growing in a wild state. Its exceeding lusciousness and beauty prompted him to dry some of the berries and send the seed of them to relatives in this country, with the information that if it succeeded, it would prove the most valuable berry novelty ever introduced. The seed produced a few plants to which our attention was called the first summer. We were so struck with its novelty and beauty that we at once opened negotiations for its purchase. The next season it fruited and we at once bought it on the terms offered, paying the enormous price of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

DESCRIPTION.—It belongs to the Raspberry family, is a strong, vigorous grower, attaining the usual height of a Raspberry and is perfectly hardy in all positions without protection. It is, in fact, more hardy and vigorous than any Raspberry or Blackberry. It stands alike the cold of the northern winters and the heat of the southern summers, without the slightest degree of injury. Its leaves are of the darkest green outside, and silvery white underneath. The young shoots and branches are covered with a reddish-brown hair or moss. The fruit is borne in large clusters often 75 to 100 berries in a bunch. These berries are from the time of formation and bloom, until they ripen enclosed in a "burr," which is formed by the calyx covering them entirely. When ripe the burr opens exhibiting a large berry of the brightest, light, glossy scarlet or sherry wine color. The burrs and stems are covered with a heavy reddish moss like a moss rose bud. The flavor of the fruit is entirely different from any other berry, being very sprightly, sweet and juicy, having no disagreeable sour, but a delicate and luscious flavor peculiar to itself, and superior to other berries. It is very juicy and makes the finest quality of wine. It commences to ripen early in July and continues in bearing for a long time. It is the most prolific berry known, the bushes being literally covered with its luscious fruit. It is propagated from tips like Cap Raspberries and Dewberries, and can be increased rapidly.

PRICES.—Strong, one year old plants, which will fruit next season, \$1.00 each; 6 for \$5.00.



New Imperial German Pansies.

FOR FALL SOWING.

Introduced by us several years ago, and have become so popular and well known that little need be said about them. Their characteristics are a compact habit, large and healthy foliage, and large sized flowers of great substance and beauty. They produce their large flowers throughout the entire summer. These Pansies have been widely sold and many inferior strains have been put on the market under their name. As the introducer we have the genuine stock.

Per Pkt.

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| Gloriosa Perfecta , reddish steel blue, with red and white rim. In this variety we have the finest combination of colors and the loveliest of all Pansies..... | 15 |
| Snow Fairy , pure snow white, large and beautiful; splendid for cemeteries..... | 10 |
| Black Knight , pure coal black, a rich and beautiful color | 10 |
| Thunder Cloud , a large flower, deep coal black, with red and white rim. Extra fine..... | 15 |
| Azure Blue , a lovely color for massing..... | 10 |
| Emperor William , elegant deep blue..... | 10 |
| Little Red Riding Hood , this is an entirely new and distinct color. The flowers are large, finely formed, and the most brilliant solid red color yet seen in Pansies. It is a charming novelty, but unfortunately does not always come true..... | 10 |
| Deep Yellow , very fine..... | 10 |
| Odor or Five Spotted, Mixed , flowers of various colors each having five spots..... | 10 |
| Large Spotted, Mixed , on white, yellow and red ground. They are grand..... | 10 |
| Lord Beaconsfield , (true). This is the true variety as grown by the originator. Very large size, lower petals deep purplish indigo, while the upper ones shade off to almost pure white..... | 10 |
| Marbled, Mixed , various colors, beautifully marbled.... | 10 |
| Striped, Mixed , a fine variety of beautifully striped blossoms..... | 10 |
| Bronze Perfecta , fine bronze..... | 10 |
| Mixed Seed , of more than 50 distinct varieties of Imperial German, including the above 14 kinds..... | 10 |
- SPECIAL OFFER.**—For only \$1.00 we will send one packet each of the above 15 Imperial Germans.

Giant Excelsior Pansies.

The growth and general habit of the Giant Excelsior is compact, strong and bushy, showing at all times a remarkably healthy appearance. The gigantic flowers are produced in great numbers, and borne well above the foliage on strong stems. The flowers possess great substance and keep perfect

longer than most any other sorts. The colors are truly wonderful, including over a hundred different shades and combinations, with blendings and markings entirely new, and of the most exquisite beauty. The flowers are borne in great profusion from May to November, the plants stand the hot dry weather of summer to a remarkable degree and yielding flowers almost as large and free as in early spring. Pkt. 15c.



CEREUS GRANDIFLORA.

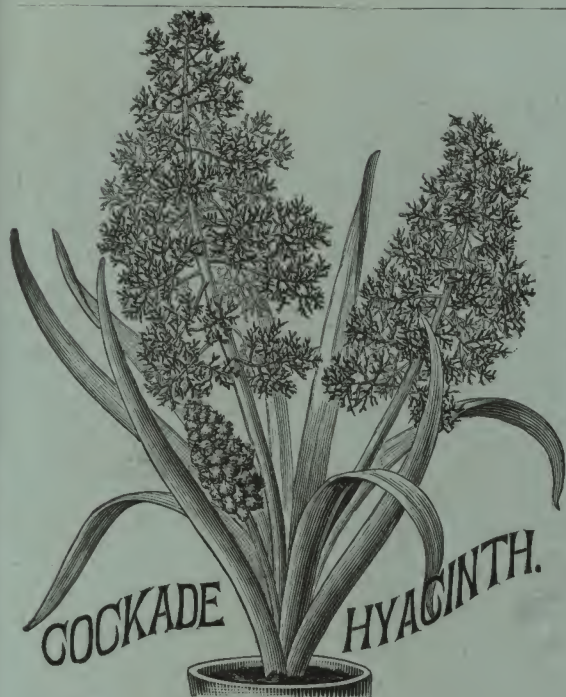
Two Fine Cacti.

Cereus Grandiflora, the true Night Blooming Cereus from the Miter Mountains of Mexico. Has deliciously fragrant white flowers, a foot across, and of a fascinating beauty impossible to describe. It is a free and rapid grower, and its bloom is one of the loveliest of all flowers. 25c. each.



PILOCEREUS SENILIS.

Pilocereus Senilis, the "Old Man" Cactus is one of the curiosities of plant life which always attract attention, and its appearance is certainly sufficiently strange to excite some surprise. Pilocereus Senilis derives both its botanical and popular names from the large number of long, silvery white hairs which cover the upper portion of its stem, and impart a peculiar resemblance to the hoary head of an aged man. These hairs attain the length of several inches, and instead of spreading regularly, or projecting rigidly, as in other members of the family, they are flaccid and pendulous, thickly clothing the stem. It is one of the rarest and most sought after of all Cactus. \$1.00 each.



The Cockade Hyacinth.

Among the hundreds of new and odd winter blooming bulbs we tested last winter, this proved the most wonderful and meritorious of all, and for winter blooming must at once be placed among the most desirable of all bulbs for that purpose. It was exhibited at our place during New York's great Centennial celebration, it then having been in bloom two months, and appropriately named the Centennial Cockade Hyacinth. Its bloom first appears in the form of a charming blue Cockade-like tassel an inch or two in length. As the flower stem rises this cockade increases in size and beauty until at the end of two months it had developed into an immense blue feathery plume a foot or more in length, and in striking beauty and oddity, surpassing all its floral surroundings. Our word for it, friends, you can purchase nothing for double its price which will so delight and please you for the two months or more that it is in bloom. It is a flower for everybody, and we have secured it by the tens of thousands and made prices so that everybody can possess a few. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.



New Italian Tulips.

(Extra Early Flowering.)

It is with more than usual pleasure that we call special attention to these new early flowering Tulips, both for house and garden culture, but more especially for winter blooming in the house. There is in store for those who plant these gems a joyous surprise which you can in no true sense anticipate till you see them in the full radiance of their brilliancy.

Peacock, when in bloom this was pronounced the *finest* Tulip among our grand sorts. Color a clear transparent, intense dazzling scarlet, with a golden band through three of its six petals, and a large jet black center which is bordered with pure gold. Each petal is also tipped with white. It grows about 15 inches high, flower very large and the first of all Tulips to bloom. For pot culture no Tulip can approach it. 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 12 for \$1.00.

Sylvestris, (The fragrant Tea Rose Tulip), one foot high, golden yellow with beautiful long pointed buds like a Tea Rose. Very fragrant and extra early. A magnificent sort. 12c. each; 3 for 30c.

Celsiana, deep brilliant yellow, opening star shaped, flat, six inches across. Elegant long buds. Very fine. 12c. each; 3 for 30c.

Cornuta, petals six inches long, twisted, bright scarlet and yellow variegated. Flower when open flat one foot across. Curious and beautiful. 12c. each; 3 for 30c.

Fulgens, tall, with very large flowers, which are of the deepest dark scarlet color, with yellow center. Fine for winter blooming, and an elegant companion to Gesneriana in the open ground. 12c. each; 3 for 30c.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only 50c. we will send one bulb each of these five grand new Tulips; 3 of each for \$1.00.



Echinocereus Candicans.

(The Rainbow Cactus.)

We possess an enormous stock of this most beautiful, rare and costly Cactus, and are prepared to offer it at a great bargain. The plant is covered with a network of spines which range in color from creamy white to deep crimson, hence its name "Rainbow." It is a most beautiful plant at all times, but when in bloom its grandeur is unsurpassed, having flowers 4 inches across, bright crimson with a white centre. It blooms profusely and is of the easiest culture in pots. The great beauty of the plant itself, combined with the enormous size and beauty of the flowers make what we consider to be the most charming Cacti in cultivation; and one of the most rare and lovely of all plants to possess. Fine large plants, 30c. each; larger, 50c. each; extra large and fine, \$1 each.



Otaheite Orange.

A grand pot plant, and one of great beauty and novelty. It is a dwarf orange, which grows, blooms and fruits freely in pots, even when only a foot or two high. The fruit is about one-half the size of ordinary oranges, and very sweet and delicious. The blossoms are produced in great abundance, delicate and beautiful in color, and rich in delicious perfume. As a pot plant this lovely dwarf orange is one of the most novel and beautiful that can be grown. It blooms most freely during winter, though it is likely to bloom at any and all times of year. With one or two pots of it any one can raise an abundance of the far-famed, delicate and fragrant orange blossoms. The plants we supply are strong and ready to bloom and fruit the coming winter. Price, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.

Pæonia Tenifolia.

A lovely extra early flowering Pæonia having beautiful finely cut foliage and large double blossoms of the most intense scarlet color. It is a rare gem which all should possess, 50c. each. We can also supply a large DOUBLE WHITE AND DOUBLE PINK Pæonia, each the finest of their color, and both very fragrant at 35c. each, or the two for 60c.; or for \$1.00 we will send the three, double white, double pink and Tenifolia.

Try a "Surprise Collection." See page 48.



NEPETA.

Nepeta Glechoma.

A new trailing plant of the Catnip family, with beautiful white and green leaves. The leaves also have a refreshing fragrance. It will no doubt become one of our most useful plants for festooning work, such as drooping from hanging baskets, vases, fancy pots, etc., rendering it unequalled for this purpose, while we have no doubt it will also be largely used in cemeteries to cover the graves, as it is entirely hardy and we think more ornamental than almost anything in use for that purpose at present. For massing in the garden or on the lawn, to trail over stones or stumps or in fact for any sort of decoration, it is splendid. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Rose of Jericho.

A new Resurrection Plant from the Holy Land. This curious and rare plant we have long made vain efforts to secure, and have only just succeeded in getting one thousand good specimens. It is entirely different from our Mexican Resurrection Plant, as it is hard-wooded and grow in the form of a little bush. When dry, the branches fold up into a



mass or ball, but when placed in water they soon unfold, and in 10 or 20 days green leaves will start out and growth commence. Without seeing it, one could hardly believe these dry dead branches could send out green leaves and shoots. All that is necessary to produce growth is to keep the plant standing in a glass of water about half way to the top of its branches. It is a native of the border of the Dead Sea, where it grows and blooms freely. 25c. each.



The Queen Cactus (*Phyllocactus Latifrons*). This grand Cactus grows several feet high, with large flattened stems. The flowers appear at evening and last all night, and are the grandest of all night-blooming plants, being of enormous size, nearly one foot across, and of the purest white color, delicately shaded pink outside, with a most lovely form and texture. It is not unusual for a large plant to have 30 to 100 of these enormous flowers open at once. It blooms freely every year, and is indeed a rare plant for anyone to possess. We have a very fine stock, and offer strong plants at the extremely low price of **50 cents each**.

Cereus Rostatus. The bloom of this is like the Queen Cactus except in color, which in this rare sort is a lovely wine red outside, and lighter towards the center. It is very rare and beautiful beyond description. 50c.

Phyllocactus Crenatus, like the Queen Cactus except in the color of the flowers, which in this very rare sort is light straw yellow. 50c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER.—These three are the most lovely night-blooming Cactus, and represent three lovely colors. We will, for only \$1, send one fine plant of each.

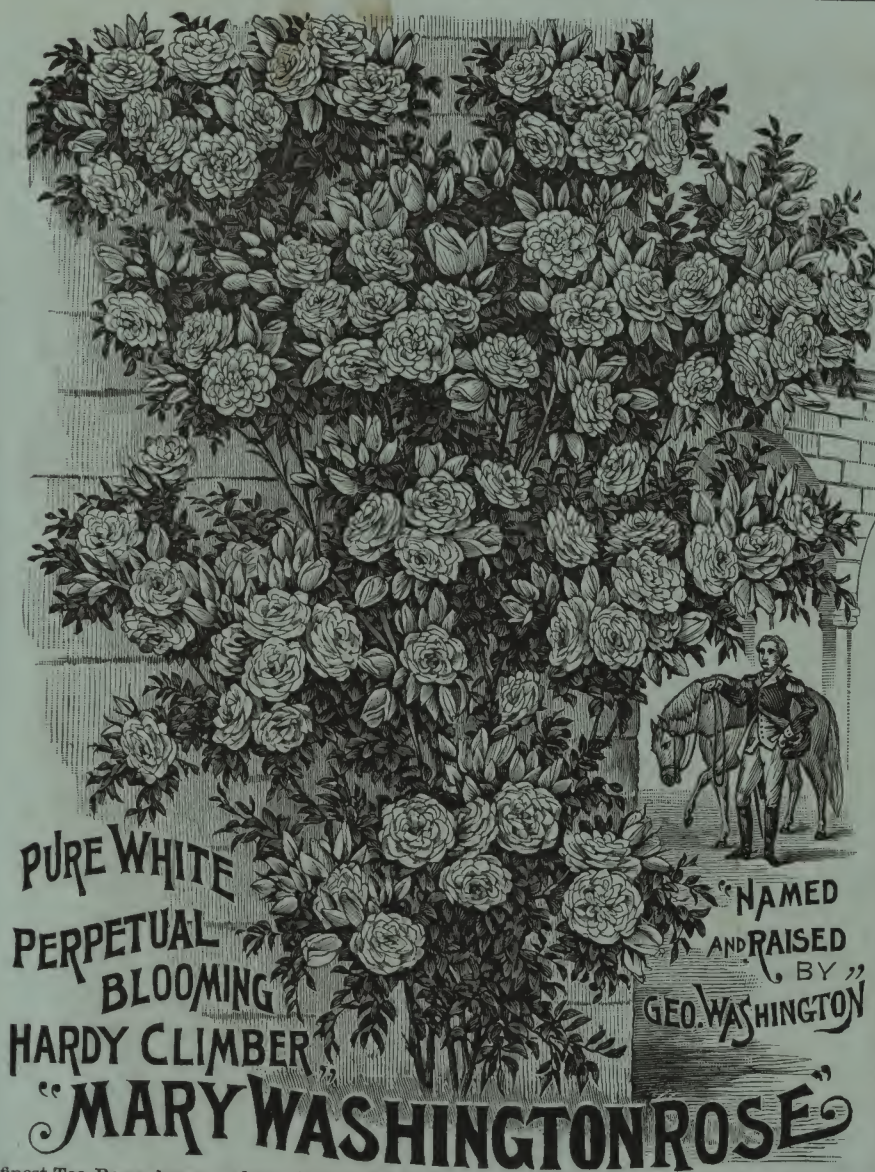


This has proved to be the finest new fruit in many years. For a blackberry it is the largest, finest flavored, most prolific, fruiting for two months, and requires no stakes. This fine novelty of which we control the entire stock is surely one of the most desirable new things we ever offered, and what we say of it we speak from what we have seen and tested, and not from what others say. It grows 5 to 7 feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form, as seen in the cut, straight and erect, requiring no stake. The berries are of enormous size equalled only by the Erie, borne in great clusters which commence to ripen early in July and continue into September, making its fruiting period fully two months or more. The finest Blackberries we ever ate we picked about September first from some of these plants which had been ripening fruit since July 8th. They are the finest quality of all berries, exceeding sweet, juicy and delicious, melting in the mouth without a particle of hard core. Its delicate flavor, great productiveness, enormous size, long season of bearing, and perfect hardness in the coldest parts of the country, makes it the most valuable of all berries for family use. Mr. J. T. Lovett says: "Enough cannot be said in favor of this grand berry to do it justice." Some of our customers who bought it last spring report that the plants fruited last summer, and the berries proved to be the largest and finest ever seen, and that the symmetrical branching of the plants make them perfect little trees.

PRICE—First quality, large and strong, 50 cents each; 3 for \$1.00.

Mr. E. S. Black, Monmouth county, N. J., August 14th, 1889, says: "I am not surprised to hear of the enormous sale your Tree Blackberry is having. When it was growing here on the place of which I am foreman, visitors who saw it have offered me \$5 each for one or more plants of it. Its straight, stout and symmetrical growth, and loads of large and most luscious berries borne for so long a period, place it at the head of all Blackberries for family use."





It is an historic fact that a hundred years ago George Washington—the greatest and most honored American that ever lived—raised in his garden at Mt. Vernon, a seedling Rose, which proved to be a hardy perpetual blooming climber, producing large, double snow white blossoms in great profusion, from June until frost. In this lovely Rose our first President took special delight, and named it after his mother, Mary Washington. All this is told us by the Mount Vernon (Washington's old home) guide-book. The original bush can yet be seen growing on the grounds where its world-famed master planted it, and is to-day protected and cared for by an incorporated association. It is a strange thing that this most valuable of all roses has stood a hundred years without ever being propagated or finding its way to the public. Yet it is a fact that we are the first to offer as NEW, the OLDEST American Rose, the first and finest of its class, and raised and named by him who was "First in peace, first in war, and first in the hearts of his countrymen." We have grown to be the greatest nation on earth, and we may well plant and cherish the Rose which our great Washington left us, as the truest and best emblem of our remembrance and appreciation of his greatness. We hope in time to see it trailing over the door or gateway of every home in the land, and it should bloom wherever a revolutionary hero reposes. Aside from the fact that this Rose was raised and named by George Washington, it is the most valuable sort that has been introduced for many years. A hardy, perpetual blooming climber has long been needed. Its flowers are large, pure white, perfectly double to the center, sweet and borne in endless numbers all summer. It is a vigorous and rapid grower, and must at once become the most valuable rose for out-door culture. Its buds are as beautiful as the

finest Tea Roses, borne on long stems and usually in large clusters. One plant of the Mary Washington will produce more flowers than a dozen Tea Roses. Its fragrance is tinged with the old fashioned musky flavor so much admired in olden times. Our stock is propagated from cuttings which three years ago came from the original bush at Mount Vernon. Price of one year old plants, strong, from open ground, 50c. each; 5 for \$2.

OUR SPRING CATALOGUE

— OF —

Flower and Vegetable Seeds, Summer Flowering Bulbs, Hardy Plants, Greenhouse Plants, Rare Fruits, &c.,

Will be ready to send out January 1st, and will be mailed free to all our customers and others who apply. Customers will receive it without applying. It will be large and beautifully illustrated with wood cuts and elegant colored plates, and will be the most complete list of new, rare and beautiful flowers ever sent out in this country.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

OUR

SURPRISE

COLLECTION.

TO meet the demand of our large trade we import very large stocks of Bulbs, in most cases getting more than needed, to make sure of having enough. After business is about over, in November, we sell off our surplus stock at wholesale, below cost. The thought has occurred to us to make this surplus up into "Surprise" Collections, and offer them to our customers, giving them three or four times the value of their money. The "Surprise" comes in the great amount of fine bulbs you get for the money paid. These collections cannot be sent out until about November 10th, and will be entirely of our own selection from kinds of which we have a surplus. The purchaser can state whether they are wanted for the garden or for winter blooming, and we will select accordingly. No collection will be made up for less than **ONE DOLLAR**, and from that up to any amount the purchaser may desire. In all cases one will be surprised at the amount of fine bulbs he gets for the money. They will be sent free by mail, unless desired by express, and in that case we can send more for the money than by mail. All "Surprise" Collections ordered previous to November 10th will be booked and shipped then, but we can continue sending them through November and December.



Winter Blooming Morning Glories.

Henceforth the beautiful Morning Glory is to be a favorite flower for *Winter* as well as for *Summer*, for the strain here offered is as lovely a Winter flower as anything can possibly be. Seed sown at any time during Winter will commence blooming in about thirty days and when the plants are only three to four inches high, and continue for months. The flowers are very large and of varied and brilliant colors, and *remain open all day*, from morning until night, making as pretty a pot of flowers as you can imagine.

The colored sketch on cover represents a pot of them forty days from the time of sowing the seed. They are in no respect hard to grow, and will succeed in any window, and we are sure that no plant or Bulb can be purchased for double the price, which will give so much real beauty and enjoyment, and for so long a period, during Winter, as will a pot of these lovely Morning Glories. Mixed seed of all colors, 15 cents per packet. Three packets for 30 cents.

The Floral Fire-Cracker.

This beautiful and interesting Winter blooming Bulb is a sort of Brodiaea, but entirely unlike any other variety in both form and color. It is a flower of striking beauty and one that catches every eye. Its blooms are borne in clusters at the end of long slender stems, and droop like a Fuchsia. They are two to three inches in length, of a deep, bright, crimson-scarlet color, tipped with green and white. The colored sketch represents it perfectly. It is among the easiest of all bulbs to grow, and it is sure to succeed and bloom elegantly with anyone. Pot the bulbs at any time during Fall and treat them as recommended on page 3. In this lovely flower our friends will find a most beautiful and novel thing, and unlike anything you have ever grown or seen. Fine bulbs, 15 cents each. Two for 25 cents. 10 for \$1.00.

Golden Bell Flower.

(*Cyclobothra Pulchella*.)

This lovely Winter bloomer is a bulb of the easiest culture, and one from which anyone can succeed in getting some flowers in mid-winter that will truly gladden the heart. It grows but eight to twelve inches high, and several can be planted in a five-inch pot. They branch freely and each one produces five to ten charming, pendulous blossoms, of the richest golden-yellow color. Like the Floral Fire-Cracker, this flower has a charming beauty all its own—entirely unlike anything else among Winter flowers—a beauty which attracts every eye and captures every heart. Price, 15 cents each. Two for 25 cents. 10 for \$1.00.



FLORAL FIRE CRACKER.

WINTER-BLOOMING
MORNING GLORIES.

GOLDEN BELL-FLOWER.